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FCC ANNOUNCES FURTHER DETAILS FOR ITS JUNE 25, 2010 BROADCAST ENGINEERING FORUM

Washington, D.C.: The Commission today announced additional details for its June 25, 2010 broadcast engineering forum. Participants in the four workshops held throughout the day will discuss a variety of opportunities and challenges currently facing the broadcast industry. Their findings will be presented at a public forum from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. EDT in the Commission Meeting Room.

The afternoon summary is free and open to the public, with seating available on a first-come, first-served basis. The public will have an opportunity to participate via an "open microphone" at the end of the presentations. The session will be broadcast live over the Internet at http://reboot.fcc.gov/live. Questions from the Internet audience can be submitted via email to broadbandoutreach@fcc.gov and via Twitter using the hashtag, #brdcstforum.

Agenda and Forum Participants

3:00 p.m. Welcome and Overview of the Working Sessions

Julius Knapp, Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology

3:15 p.m. Cellularization of Broadcast Architecture

Jay Adrick, Harris Corporation

Mark Aitken, Sinclair Broadcasting

Rick Engelman, Sprint

Vern Fotheringham, CTB Networks

Jim Krammen, Motorola

Bob Seidel, CBS

Dennis Wallace, Meintel, Sgrignoli & Wallace

Merrill Weiss, Merrill Weiss Group

3:45 p.m. Methodologies for Repacking the TV Band

Lynn Claudy, NAB Bruce Franca, MSTV Mel Frerking, AT&T Ira Goldstone, Univision John McCoskey, PBS

Bill Meintel, Meintel, Sgrignoli & Wallace

Jim Ocon, Gray Television Group

Joseph Snelson, Society of Broadcast Engineers Dr. Byron St. Clair, National Translator Association

John Viall, LIN Broadcasting

4:15 p.m. Improvements in VHF Reception

William Belt, Consumer Electronics Association

Greg Best, Greg Best Consulting

Charles Cooper, duTreil, Lundin and Rackley Kerry Cozad, Dielectric Communications Ross Heide, Cohen, Dippel and Everist

Ralph Hogan, Society of Broadcast Engineers Jeff Johnson, Gannett Broadcasting Group

John Ross, Antennas Direct

Victor Tawil, MSTV Kelly Williams, NAB

4:45 p.m. Advancements in Compression Technology

Richard Chernock, Triveni Digital

David Converse, ABC Greg Coppa, CBS Sterling Davis, Cox

Matthew Goldman, Tandberg Television / Ericsson

Brett Jenkins, ION

Glenn Reitmeier, NBC Universal

Mark Richer, ATSC

Andrew Setos, FOX Broadcasting Peter Sockett, Capitol Broadcasting

5:15 p.m. Discussion/Public Comment

6:00 p.m. Adjournment

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