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See *MCI v. FCC*, 515 F.2d 385 (D.C. Cir. 1974).

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MEDIA BUREAU ANNOUNCES AGENDA FOR ITS PUBLIC FORUM TO DISCUSS PROPOSED COMCAST/NBCU/GE JOINT VENTURE (MB DOCKET NO. 10-56)

Washington, D.C.: The Media Bureau today announced the agenda for its July 13, 2010, public forum being held from 1:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Northwestern University Law School, Thorne Auditorium, 375 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. The two-panel forum will discuss the Comcast/NBCU/GE joint venture proposal, followed by a public comment period on the proposed transaction.

The event is open to the public. The audience will be given an opportunity to participate via "open microphone" during a special segment from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Individuals wishing to comment must sign up at the registration desk beginning at 5:00 p.m. Slots for this two hour segment will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The forum also will be carried live over the Internet on the FCC Live web page at <http://reboot.fcc.gov/live>. Questions from the Internet audience can be submitted throughout the event via e-mail to livequestions@fcc.gov and via Twitter using the hash tag, #fccNBC.

Agenda and Panelists (Central Standard Time)

- 1:00 p.m. Introduction and Opening Remarks**
Commissioner Michael Copps, Federal Communications Commission
- 1:15 p.m. Panel 1: Online Video Distribution Considerations**
John Flynn, Senior Counsel to the Chairman for Transactions, FCC (Moderator)
Jeffrey Blum, Deputy General Counsel, DISH Network
Susan Crawford, Professor, Cardozo Law School, and Visiting Research Collaborator, Princeton University
Markham C. Erickson, Partner, Holch & Erickson LLP, and Executive Director, NetCoalition
Travis Parsons, Senior Director, Business Development, Sezmi
Josh Silver, President and CEO, Free Press
Scott Wallsten, Vice President for Research and Senior Fellow, Technology Policy Institute
Susan Whiting, Vice Chair, The Nielsen Company

3:00 p.m. Break

3:15 p.m. Panel 2: Multichannel Video Programming Distributor Considerations

William Lake, Chief, Media Bureau, FCC (Moderator)

Colleen Abdoulah, President and CEO, WOW! Internet, Cable and Phone

Tyrone Brown, President, Media Access Project

Brian Lawlor, President-Chairman, NBC Television Affiliates and Senior Vice

President of Television, The E.W. Scripps Company

William Rogerson, Professor of Economics, Northwestern University

Ken Solomon, Chairman & CEO, The Tennis Channel

James Speta, Professor, Northwestern University School of Law

5:00 p.m. Break

6:00 p.m. Public Comments

8:00 p.m. Adjournment

Open captioning will be provided. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Include a description of the accommodation you will need. Also include a way we can contact you if we need more information. Last-minute requests will be accepted, but may not be possible to fill. Send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty).

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