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FCC ANNOUNCES DETAILS FOR OCTOBER 26TH LEARN WORKSHOP *Workshop to Focus on Broadcaster Issues in the Incentive Auction NPRM*

Washington, D.C.: As part of its Learning Everything About Reverse-Auctions Now Program (LEARN), the Commission today announced details for its October 26, 2012 workshop on the FCC's recently released incentive auction NPRM. The workshop will provide information about issues raised in the NPRM that are particularly relevant to broadcasters considering participating in the auction, including proposed auction designs, the mechanics of participation, and station eligibility. It will also focus on issues of interest to broadcasters that may choose not to participate, including proposed band plans and possible approaches to repacking. This workshop is part of the FCC's commitment to an open and transparent process to ensure that the proposals in the NPRM are understood by all relevant stakeholders, so that they can engage effectively in the public comment process and make informed decisions about participating in the auction.

The workshop will be held in the Commission Meeting Room at the FCC's headquarters in Washington, D.C. It is free and open to the public, with seating available on a first-come, first-served basis. The session will be broadcast live over the Internet at <http://www.fcc.gov/live>. Questions from the Internet audience can be submitted anonymously via email to learn@fcc.gov and via Twitter using the hashtag, #fcclive. Additional information about the LEARN Program is available at <http://www.fcc.gov/learnprogram>.

Agenda

1:30 – 1:35	Welcoming Remarks, Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
1:35 – 1:45	Overview: How the Pieces Fit Together, Gary Epstein , Chair, Incentive Auction Task Force
1:45 – 2:00	Reverse Auction Design Proposals, Brett Tarnutzer , Chief Data Officer, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau
2:00 – 2:15	Station Eligibility, Bill Lake , Chief, Media Bureau
2:15 – 2:30	Forward Auction and New Band Plans, Ruth Milkman , Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau
2:30 – 2:45	Interference Proposals and Repacking, Julie Knapp , Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology
2:45 – 3:15	Questions: Moderator, Rebecca Hanson , Senior Advisor, Media Bureau

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