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STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER AJIT PAI ON COMMITTEE PASSAGE OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION CONSOLIDATED REPORTING ACT

I commend the House Energy and Commerce Committee for passing the Federal Communications Commission Consolidated Reporting Act and applaud Subcommittee Chairman Walden, Ranking Member Eshoo and Representative Scalise for their leadership in sponsoring this common-sense piece of legislation. The FCC's reporting requirements are numerous, burdensome, and sometimes obsolete. Replacing these disparate obligations with a single biennial Communications Marketplace Report will make better use of limited Commission resources. It will also provide Congress and the public with a comprehensive and far more useful set of data that better reflects the realities of today's converged marketplace. I hope that this bipartisan legislation will soon be signed into law.