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**FCC TO HOST INFO SESSION ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSITIONS**

Washington, D.C. – The FCC’s Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau will host an Info Session on Technology Transitions on Monday, September 26, 2016 from 1-2 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room, located at 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554.

The nation’s telephone companies in the United States are currently upgrading the technology that delivers phone service. Existing copper lines are being replaced with fiber or wireless networks that use Internet Protocol technology. These processes are called the “technology transitions” (formerly referred to as the “IP Transition”). This info session will inform consumers about how the switch from copper networks to new technologies will affect them.

The event will be open to the public.  Though an RSVP is not necessary, we encourage attendees to send an email to [techtransitionsinfo@fcc.gov](mailto:techtransitionsinfo@fcc.gov) by September 25 so we can facilitate entry into the building. Please remember to bring a current, government-issued photo ID in order to access the building on the day of the event.

Those interested in participating online may do so by visiting <https://www.fcc.gov/general/live>. During the event, the public can submit comments and questions by emailing [livequestions@fcc.gov](mailto:livequestions@fcc.gov) or via [@FCC’s](http://www.twitter.com/fcc) Twitter using the hashtag #FCClive.

The agenda is as follows:

1:00-1:05 p.m. **Welcome**

Anita Dey, Assistant Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau

1:05- 1:20 p.m. **What are technology transitions?**

Peter Saharko, Assistant Chief, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

Michele Levy Berlove, Attorney Advisor, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

1:20-1:30 p.m. **What do technology transitions mean for me if I have a disability?**

Suzanne Rosen Singleton, Chief, Disability Rights Office, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau

1:30-1:40 p.m. **After a technology transition, how do I make sure that I can make an emergency call during a power outage?**

Linda Pintro, Senior Legal Adviser, Policy and Licensing Division, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau

1:40-1:50 p.m. **Questions**

1:50-1:55 p.m. **Closing**

Open captioning will be provided, and other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Requests for such accommodations should be submitted via e-mail to [fcc504@fcc.gov](mailto:fcc504@fcc.gov) or by calling the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (TTY). Such requests should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed. In addition, please include a way for the FCC to contact the requester if more information is needed to fill the request. Please allow at least five days’ advance notice; last minute requests will be accepted, but may not be possible to accommodate.

For more information about this event, please visit [www.fcc.gov/events](http://www.fcc.gov/events) or contact Anthony Butler, Consumer Education and Outreach Specialist, at [Anthony.Butler@fcc.gov](mailto:Anthony.Butler@fcc.gov).