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**STATEMENT OF FCC CHAIRMAN AJIT PAI
ON THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THE PRESIDENT INTENDS TO NOMINATE DAVID REDL TO BE NTIA ADMINISTRATOR**

WASHINGTON, May 17, 2017—“David Redl is a superb choice to lead NTIA. His extensive experience as Chief Counsel of the House Energy & Commerce Committee Subcommittee on Communications & Technology makes him uniquely qualified to lead the agency charged with managing the spectrum held by the U.S. government.

“He is also a skillful expert in communications issues central to NTIA’s mission of ensuring that the Internet remains an engine for innovation and economic growth. The FCC has long had a close partnership with NTIA, and I personally look forward to continuing that relationship with that agency under David’s leadership.”

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