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FCC ANNOUNCES TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR MAY OPEN MEETING

WASHINGTON, April 27, 2023—Federal Communications Commission Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel announced that the items below are tentatively on the agenda for the May Open Commission Meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 18, 2023:

Amendment of Section 15.255 of the Commission's Rules – The Commission will consider a Report and Order that would provide new opportunities for unlicensed field disturbance sensor devices, such as radars, to operate in the 57-71 GHz band (60 GHz band) and foster innovative products and services while ensuring coexistence with other unlicensed technologies and Federal incumbents in the band. (ET Docket No. 21-264)

Expanding Flexible Use of the 12.2-12.7 GHz Band; Expanding Use of the 12.7-13.25 GHz Band for Mobile Broadband or Other Expanded Use – The Commission will consider a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that would ensure that current and future satellite services are preserved and protected in the 12.2-12.7 GHz (12.2 GHz) band by declining to authorize mobile operations in the band, while further investigating the potential to expand fixed use or permit unlicensed use. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order would continue development of a pipeline of mid-band spectrum by proposing to authorize the 12.7-13.25 GHz (12.7 GHz band) for mobile broadband and other expanded uses. (WT Docket No. 20-443, GN Docket No. 22-352)

Expanding Call Blocking Requirements – The Commission will consider an Order, Further Notice, and Notice of Inquiry that would expand our call blocking requirements to ensure even greater protections for consumers. The item would enlist service providers in the fight against unwanted robocalls by extending our 24-hour traceback requirement to cover all voice service providers in the call path, enhancing existing requirements to effectively mitigate illegal traffic upon Commission notification and expanding our know-your-upstream-provider requirements to all voice service providers. The item would also seek comment on several other options to further enhance consumer protections, including a proposal to require terminating providers to offer analytics-based call blocking. (CG Docket No. 17-59, WC Docket No. 17-97)

Restricted Adjudicatory Matter – The Commission will consider a restricted adjudicatory matter.

Public Drafts of Meeting Items – The FCC publicly releases the draft text of each item expected to be considered at the next Open Commission Meeting. Drafts of items under consideration that involve specific, enforcement-related matters, which can include restricted proceedings and hearing designation orders, will not be publicly released. One-page cover sheets are included in the public drafts to help summarize each item. All these materials will be available on the FCC's Open Meeting page: www.fcc.gov/openmeeting.

Public Attendance – The Open Meeting is scheduled to commence at 10:30 a.m. ET in the Commission Meeting Room of the Federal Communications Commission, 45 L Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. While the Open Meeting is open to the public, the FCC headquarters building is not open access, and all guests must check in with and be screened by FCC security at the main entrance on L Street. Attendees at the Open Meeting will not be required to have an appointment but must otherwise comply with protocols outlined at: https://www.fcc.gov/visit. Open Meetings are streamed live at www.fcc.gov/live.

Press Access – Members of the news media are welcome to attend the meeting and will be provided reserved seating on a first-come, first-served basis. Following the meeting, the Chairwoman may hold a news conference in which she will take questions from credentialed members of the press in attendance. Afterwards, senior policy and legal staff will be made available to the press in attendance for questions related to the items on the meeting agenda. Commissioners may also choose to hold press conferences. Press may also direct questions to the Office of Media Relations (OMR): MediaRelations@fcc.gov. Questions about credentialing should be directed to OMR.

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