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FCC RECHARTERS ITS COMMUNICATIONS EQUITY AND DIVERSITY COUNCIL

Chairwoman Appoints New and Returning Members of Council Ahead of Wednesday Meeting

WASHINGTON, March 26, 2024—FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel today announced the recharter of the agency’s Communications Equity and Diversity Council and named members to the advisory panel. The Council is a federal advisory committee which brings together outside experts to provide recommendations to the FCC on how to accelerate the deployment of broadband in all communities by reducing and/or removing regulatory barriers to infrastructure and investment. It also provides recommendations on how to strengthen existing broadband networks and develop new ones.

“The CEDC and its work are very important,” **said Chairwoman Rosenworcel**. “Currently, across the federal government, including here at the Commission, there is a focus on ensuring equity for all, including under-served communities. The CEDC exists to help level the playing field. They are among the best of the best in the tech sector. Their expertise on issues of equity and diversity provides valuable contributions to the CEDC and assists the agency in adopting policies to promote and support equal access to digital communication services and products, no matter who you are or where you live.”

The Communications Equity and Diversity Council was originally established in 2017 under a different name and was relaunched by the Chairwoman in 2021. Its mission is to make recommendations to the Commission on advancing equity in the provision of and access to digital communication services and products for all people of the United States, without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, or disability.

The recharter and the new membership are detailed in a Public Notice released today: <https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-releases-agenda-march-27-2024-cedc-meeting>. The [first meeting](#) of the rechartered Council will be tomorrow at 10 am E.T. and will live stream at: <https://www.fcc.gov/live>.

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