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SPACE BUREAU ANNOUNCES OPEN HOUSE EVENT ON MAY 9

"Don't Get Grounded: Understanding the Interagency Review of Satellites Prior to Launch"

The FCC's Space Bureau today announced the next steps in its Transparency Initiative. The FCC will be convening a public event on May 9th titled "Don't Get Grounded: Understanding the Interagency Review of Satellites Prior to Launch".

Prior to a launch, U.S. government agencies review information regarding satellites and other "payloads" onboard the launch vehicle, including assessing whether the satellites have all necessary licensing and approvals, such as an FCC license. The May 9th event will feature speakers from across the U.S. government to discuss the respective roles of those agencies during this process, describe challenges for both government and industry, and identify ways to alleviate burdens throughout the process so satellite operators can prepare for successful and timely reviews. Current speakers include: **Sabrina Jawed**, **Federal Aviation Administration; Ryan Guglietta, State Department; Glenn Tallia, Office of Space Commerce**; and staff from the Space Bureau. Guidance documents will be posted on the Space Bureau's Transparency Initiative webpage, available at https://www.fcc.gov/space/transparency-initiative.

The event will start at 10:30 am ET as an in-person and online event. To foster a productive Open House, the Bureau staff respectfully asks interested parties to register and submit questions in advance by sending them to: satinfo@fcc.gov. Registration information for the interagency event can be found at https://www.fcc.gov/news-events/events/interagency-payload-review-process.

As previously announced, the Space Bureau is also holding a Transparency Initiative event on satellite spectrum coordination on April 18. Information for the satellite spectrum event is at https://www.fcc.gov/news-events/events/2024/04/satellite-spectrum-coordination.