Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D. C. 20554

News Media Information 202 / 418-0500 Internet: http://www.fcc.gov TTY: 1-888-835-5322

This is an unofficial announcement of Commission action. Release of the full text of a Commission order constitutes official action. See MCI v. FCC. 515 F 2d 385 (D.C. Circ 1974).

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE January 15, 2004

NEWS MEDIA CONTACT Meribeth McCarrick at (202) 418-0654 Meribeth.Mccarrick@fcc.gov

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DIVERSITY FOR COMMUNICATIONS IN THE DIGITAL AGE TO HOLD SECOND MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2004

Washington, D.C. – The Advisory Committee on Diversity for Communications in the Digital Age is scheduled to meet on Monday, January 26, 2004. The meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. at the Federal Communications Commission, in the Commission Meeting Room at 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C.

The meeting's agenda will include a presentation by David Steward, Chairman and CEO of Worldwide Technologies, Inc., in addition to brief reports by the Committee's four subcommittees: Career Advancement, New Technologies, Financial Issues and Transactional Transparency. The reports will be followed by group discussion and public comment.

The Advisory Committee on Diversity for Communications in the Digital Age was formed by FCC Chairman Michael Powell in the summer of 2003. Its mission is to provide guidance to the Commission on policies and practices that could increase the diversity of ownership and could create opportunities for minorities and women to advance to managerial positions in the communications sector as well as other related sectors of the economy. The Committee will make reports and recommendations concerning the need for any guidelines, incentives, regulations or other policy approaches to promote diversity of participation in the communications sector. It will also develop a description of best practices within the communications sector for promoting diversity of participation. Further details about the Committee are posted on the FCC website at: http://www.fcc.gov/DiversityFAC/

Members of the general public may attend the meeting. Real Audio and streaming video access to the meeting will be available at http://www.fcc.gov. The public may submit written comments to the Committee's Designated Federal Officer before the meeting. Comments may be sent via mail to: Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis, 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554, or electronically to DiversityFAC@fcc.gov.

- FCC -

FCC contacts: Jane E. Mago (202) 418-2030

Maureen C. McLaughlin (202) 418-2030