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FCC ANNOUNCES AGENDA FOR MARCH 18, 2004 SOLUTIONS SUMMIT ON 911/E911 ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH INTERNET-BASED COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

The Federal Communications Commission's Internet Policy Working Group (IPWG) will hold the first in a series of "Solutions Summits" at which leaders in government and industry can discuss creative ways to address policy issues that arise as communications services move to Internet-based platforms. The hearing is open to the public, and seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. The hearing date, time, and location are:

Date & Time: Thursday, March 18, 2004

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Federal Communications Commission

Commission Meeting Room

445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C.

The initial meeting will focus on 911/E911 issues, and on the particular challenges and opportunities created for emergency services in expanding 911/E911 access to Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) users and increasing the use of IP technologies in emergency services networks. Specifically, the forum will focus on technical issues and solutions associated with extending access to E911 service to VoIP users. The forum will also center on the challenges and benefits of using IP technologies in emergency services networks to provide capabilities beyond existing E911 service.

Participants will include members of the public safety community, industry representatives, and FCC staff.

Facilities

The FCC is located at 445 12th Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. Directions and a map of the streets near the FCC are available at http://www.fcc.gov/portalsmap.html. The Commission Meeting Room is equipped with a Wi-Fi Internet network.

Security

Please note that the FCC is a federal building with security. All attendees will be required to pass through security. The FCC's Commission Meeting Room will be opened early to facilitate access to the building; attendees are encouraged to allocate additional time to enter the building.

Webcast & Video

The Solutions Summit will be webcast live and also archived for later viewing. Access to and additional information concerning the webcast is available at http://www.fcc.gov/realaudio/.

Reasonable Accommodations

Open captioning and sign language interpreters will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Include a description of the accommodation you will need including as much detail as you can. Also include a way we can contact you if we need more information. Make your request as early as possible. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may not be possible to fill. Send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau: For sign language interpreters, CART, and other reasonable accommodations: 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty). For accessible format materials (braille, large print, electronic files, and audio format): 202-418-0531 (voice), 202-418-7365 (tty).

<u>List of Scheduled Participants</u>

Jeff Citron: Chairman and CEO, Vonage Holdings Corp.

Roger Hixson: Technical Issues Director, National Emergency Number Association

Jim Lankford: Director, National Security and Emergency Preparedness, SBC Communications, Inc.

The Honorable Connie O. Hughes: Commissioner, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities

Marc Linsner: Consulting Engineer, Cisco Systems, Inc.

Stephen Meer: Vice President and Chief Technology Officer, Intrado Inc.

Nancy Pollock: Executive Director, Minneapolis-St. Paul Metropolitan 911 Board

Art Prest: Member, Board of Directors, Rural Carriers Association; Vice-President, Alpine PCS and RFB Cellular, Inc.

David Reed: Chief Technology Officer, Cable Television Laboratories, Inc. (CableLabs)

Henning Schulzrinne, Ph.D: Professor, Departments of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering, Columbia University

For additional information on the Working Group, please visit the Internet Policy Working Group website at: www.fcc.gov/ipwg. For questions about the working group contact: Robert Pepper, Chief of Policy Development, at (202) 418-2030, Robert-Pepper@fcc.gov, or Jeff Carlisle, Senior Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, at (202) 418-1500, Jeffrey.Carlisle@fcc.gov.