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FCC ESTABLISHES OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY; JAMES DAILEY NAMED DIRECTOR

Washington, D.C.—The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) today announced the creation of an Office of Homeland Security (Office) within the Enforcement Bureau. The new Office will provide consolidated support for the homeland security and emergency preparedness responsibilities of the Commission and the Defense Commissioner (currently, Chairman Powell), the agency's Homeland Security Policy Council, and the Chief, Enforcement Bureau. James A. Dailey, a 31-year FCC veteran, has been named Director of the Office.

In addition, the Office will be responsible for rulemaking proceedings relating to the Emergency Alert System and will oversee operation of the Commission's 24-hour Communications and Crisis Management Center and its Emergency Operations Center, functions that are currently handled in the Enforcement Bureau's Technical and Public Safety Division.

Prior to his appointment, Mr. Dailey served as Deputy Chief of the Enforcement Bureau's Technical and Public Safety Division and as Senior Advisor to the FCC's Homeland Security Policy Council. He has served in various capacities within the FCC, including Deputy Regional Director of the South Central Region. Mr. Dailey, who joined the FCC in 1972 as an Investigator in the FCC's Norfolk, Virginia Field Office, also served as District Director of the FCC's Kansas City Field Office for 17 years.

Mr. Dailey received a M.A. in Telecommunications Management from Webster University, Kansas City, Missouri and a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from the State University in New York at Buffalo.

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