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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION ANNOUNCES CREATION OF HOMELAND SECURITY POLICY COUNCIL

Washington, D.C.—The Federal Communications Commission today announced the creation of a Homeland Security Policy Council.

The Council's missions are:

- to assist the Commission in evaluating and strengthening measures for protecting U.S. communications services;
- to assist the Commission in ensuring rapid restoration of communications services and facilities that have been disrupted as the result of threats to, or actions against, our Nation's homeland security; and
- to ensure that public safety, health and other emergency and defense personnel have effective communications available to them to assist the public as needed.

The Homeland Security Policy Council will be comprised of senior staff from each of the Commission's Bureaus and will be directed by Marsha MacBride, the Chief of Staff for the Commission. The Council will have two deputy directors, Linda Blair and Brad Berry, who are both Deputy Chiefs in the Enforcement Bureau. Peter Tenhula, Senior Legal Advisor to Chairman Powell, will serve as Special Counsel.

Council Members include:

Jeff Carlisle, Senior Deputy Chief, Common Carrier Bureau
Barbara Douglas, Associate Chief, Consumer Information Bureau
Linda Haller, Assistant Bureau Chief, International Bureau
Paul Jackson, Acting Deputy Director, Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs
Deborah Klein, Chief, Consumer Protection and Competition Division, Cable Services Bureau
Jane Mago, General Counsel
Scott Marcus, Special Advisor to the Chairman for Internet Technology
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Ken Moran, Chief, Accounting Safeguards Division, Common Carrier Bureau
Bob Ratcliffe, Deputy Chief, Mass Media Bureau
Catherine Seidel, Associate Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau