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FCC ANNOUNCES SATELLITE FORUM **TO BE HELD MARCH 21, 2005**

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will host its second annual Satellite Forum focusing on the role satellites play in everyday communications and how the lives of consumers in the United States and around the globe are enhanced by these services. The all-day event is open to the public, and no advance reservation or registration is required.

Date and Time:	March 21, 2005 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location:	Federal Communications Commission Commission Meeting Room 445 12 th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20554

The forum is designed to educate and inform the public about the variety of satellite services available. The event will feature discussion panels and interactive demonstrations of satellite-based communications services.

Four sessions will highlight the areas of mobility, integrated services, solutions meeting needs in developing countries, and portability. The mobility session will outline satellite services that provide high-tech communication capabilities to consumers as they move, in trains, airplanes and automobiles. The integrated services session will showcase communications services that combine satellite and other technologies to serve consumers and businesses. The global solution session will discuss satellites providing instant infrastructure and disaster relief in the developing world. The portability session will display and discuss new, cutting edge consumer devices deployed for satellite communications.

Webcast and Video

Audio/Video coverage of the meeting will be broadcast live over the Internet from the FCC's Audio/Video Events web page at www.fcc.gov/realaudio.

Reasonable Accommodations

Open captioning 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; please allow at least 5 days advance notice. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. Send an e-mail to <u>fcc504@fcc.gov</u> or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty)

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