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## **CCIA Encourages House E&C To Reauthorize NTIA, Promote Spectrum, Competition**

Washington -- The House Energy & Commerce Committee is <u>meeting</u> today (Tuesday) to consider the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) Reauthorization Act.

The following can be attributed to Computer & Communications Industry Association President & CEO Ed Black:

"CCIA welcomes the Energy & Commerce Committee's plans to reauthorize the NTIA, which has not been accomplished in nearly a quarter century. As the President's principal adviser on telecommunications and information policies, NTIA plays important roles in advocating for telecommunication policies around the world that promote competition and in managing federal spectrum.

"CCIA encourages the committee to build on this <u>discussion draft</u> by adding the bipartisan AIRWAVES Act (<u>H.R. 4953</u>), which will help create a pipeline of licensed and unlicensed spectrum to promote the benefits that next-generation 5G wireless networks, and the PEERING Act (<u>H.R. 4817</u>), which will promote connectivity and economic development in underserved areas. Following the reauthorization of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) through RAY BAUM's Act earlier this year, CCIA encourages the Committee's continued bipartisan efforts to push this important agency forward."

## About CCIA:

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