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HEARING NOTICE

TO: Members of the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology

FROM: Mike Doyle, Chairman

SUBJECT: Subcommittee Hearing on “Strengthening Our Communications Networks to Meet the Needs of Consumers”

The Subcommittee on Communications and Technology of the Committee on Energy and Commerce will hold a hybrid hearing that includes both in-person and remote attendance on **Wednesday, October 6, 2021, at 12 p.m. (EDT)**. The hearing is entitled, “Strengthening Our Communications Networks to Meet the Needs of Consumers.” Witnesses will be by invitation only.

This is a legislative hearing that will focus on the following attached bills:

- **H.R. 1042**, the “Protecting Critical Infrastructure Act” (*Rep. Bucshon (R-IN) on 02/15/2021*)
- **H.R. 1046**, the “Federal Broadband Deployment in Unserved Areas Act” (*Rep. Curtis (R-UT) on 02/15/2021*)
- **H.R. 1049**, the “Expediting Federal Broadband Deployment Reviews Act” (*Rep. Duncan (R-SC) on 02/15/2021*)
- **H.R. 1058**, the “Wireless Resiliency and Flexible Investment Act” (*Rep. Kinzinger (R-IL) on 02/15/2021*)
- **H.R. 1218**, the “Data Mapping to Save Moms’ Lives Act” (*Reps. Butterfield (D-NC), Bilirakis (R-FL), and Blunt Rochester (D-DE) on 02/23/2021*)
- **H.R. 2489**, the “Martha Wright Prison Phone Justice Act” (*Rep. Rush (D-IL) on 04/13/2021*)
- **H.R. 2501**, the “Spectrum Coordination Act” (*Rep. Bilirakis on 04/14/2021*)
- **H.R. 4208**, the “Section 331 Obligation Clarification Act” (*Reps. Pascrell (D-NJ), Sires (D-NJ), and Van Drew (R-NJ) on 06/28/2021*)
- **H.R. 5028**, the “ISACC Alerting Act” (*Reps. Rodgers (R-WA) and Dingell (D-MI) on 08/13/2021*)
- **H.R. 5058**, the “Broadband Incentives for Communities Act” (*Rep. Fletcher (D-TX) on 08/20/2021*)

- **H.R. 5378**, the “Spectrum Innovation Act” (*Reps. Doyle (D-PA) and Matsui (D-CA) on 09/27/2021*)
- **H.R. 5400**, the “Preventing Disruptions to Universal Service Funds Act” (*Reps. Hayes (D-CT) and Veasey (D-TX) on 09/28/2021*)

This hearing will take place in the John D. Dingell Room, 2123 of the Rayburn House Office Building, as well as remotely using Cisco WebEx online video conferencing. Members will receive WebEx participant access information by email before the hearing. No staff from member offices will be allowed in the Committee room. **However, one staffer from each member’s office may join the hearing remotely as an attendee.** Each designated staff attendee must **register** at the provided link **by no later than Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at 5 p.m. (EDT)**. The public may view this hearing via live webcast on the Committee’s website: <http://energycommerce.house.gov>.

For members planning to attend in person, the Committee notes that this hearing is being held during the COVID-19 pandemic, therefore the Committee will adhere to the greatest extent possible to the safety guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Attending Physician of the Capitol. **Guidelines regarding the conduct of this hearing were previously distributed.**

The bipartisan staff briefing for this hearing will be held by video conference using Microsoft Teams on Monday, October 4, 2021, at 4 p.m. (EDT). The Democratic staff briefing will be held immediately following the bipartisan briefing. The Republican staff briefing will be announced separately. Information for these briefings will be sent out later this week.

If you have any questions, please contact Joe Orlando with the Committee staff at joe.orlando@mail.house.gov.

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