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MEMBERS OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE NAMED

In this Public Notice, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) announces the appointment of members to its Intergovernmental Advisory Committee (IAC).

Background

On August 27, 2003, the Commission issued a Public Notice seeking nominations for membership on its Intergovernmental Advisory Committee (“IAC” or “Committee”), a committee composed of local, state, and tribal officials (*see* DA 03-2749). The IAC, formerly known as the Local and State Government Advisory Committee (“LSGAC”) is composed of 15 elected and appointed officials of municipal, county, state and tribal governments, according to the following allocations: seven local, five state, and three tribal representatives. To ensure that all interested parties had an opportunity to apply for membership on the Committee, the deadline for applications was extended until October 17, 2003 (*see* DA 03-3055).

Purpose and Functions

The purpose of the IAC is to provide ongoing advice and information to the Commission on a broad range of telecommunications issues of interest to state, local and tribal governments.

During its two year term, the Committee is expected to address a number of topics including:

- Homeland security and public safety issues;
- Matters unique to the provision of telecommunications services in rural areas, such as broadband deployment, universal service programs, and deployment of telecommunications services in Indian Country;
- Barriers to competitive entry; and,
- Cable and local franchising issues, including public rights-of-way matters.

Members

The Commission received forty- seven (47) applications for membership on the Committee, from twenty-seven (27) states and ten (10) tribal representatives. After a careful review of these applications, fifteen (15) members were appointed to the Committee. This selected group is representative of the FCC's many constituencies, and the expertise and diversity of those selected is expected to provide a balance point of view to the Commission. In addition, Chairman Powell has appointed Jim Dailey, Mayor, City of Little Rock, Arkansas, as the Chairperson. All appointments are effective immediately and shall terminate January, 2006, or until the Committee is terminated, whichever is earlier.

The members of the committee are:

1. Denise M. Bode, Chairperson, Oklahoma Corporation Commission
2. Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman, Hawaii Public Utilities Commission
3. Jim Dailey, Mayor, Little Rock, Arkansas (IAC Chair)
4. Steven L. Grey, Chair, Navajo Nation Telecommunications Regulatory Commission
5. Jenny Hansen, Manager, Public Safety Services Office for the State of Montana, Department of Administration
6. Merita A. Hopkins, Corporation Counsel, City of Boston
7. David Jones, Director of Emergency Services, Spartanburg County Government, South Carolina
8. Dean Paul Kruithof, Deputy City Administrator, Fort Smith, Arkansas
9. Frank LaGrotta, Member, Pennsylvania House of Representatives
10. Timothy Loewenstein, Supervisor, 3rd District Buffalo County, Nebraska
11. Patrick Lloyd McCrory, Mayor, Charlotte, North Carolina
12. Gary Resnick, Councilman, City of Wilton Manors, Florida
13. Sylvester Sahme, Member, Oregon Telecommunications Coordinating Council
14. Randolph Townsend, Senator, Nevada State Senate
15. J.D. Williams, General Manager, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Telephone Authority

At the first meeting, to be announced and held in early 2004, the Committee will address matters of internal business and organization, as well as its forthcoming work priorities. Because the IAC discussions involve government to government deliberations, the meetings are not open to the public.¹

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¹ See 2 U.S.C. § 1534(b); see also 5 U.S.C., App. 2 (1988).