

STATE OF MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Notice of

Informational Meeting Regarding the Implications for Minnesota of the FCC's Universal

Service/Intercarrier Compensation Order

December 22, 2011

TO:

Interested Parties

FROM:

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Executive Secretary

SUBJECT:

Notice of Meeting

Background

On November 18, 2011, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued its Order addressing Universal Service Funding and Intercarrier Compensation (WC Docket No. 10-90 and CC Docket No. 01-92). That Order may have substantial and far-reaching implications for Minnesota's telecommunications service providers and their customers.

Notice of Meeting

The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission will convene an informational meeting in the format of a panel discussion to examine the implications of the FCC Order with respect to (i) universal service funding, (ii) intercarrier compensation and (iii) the substantive and procedural tasks that the Commission can be expected to face in the coming months.

This informational meeting will held in the Commission's Large Hearing Room from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 12, 2012.

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The meeting will commence with opening remarks by Commission Chair Ellen Anderson and Commissioner Michael Rothman of the Minnesota Department of Commerce. The panel discussion will be moderated by Commissioner Betsy Wergin. The panelists are:

Jeff Lindsey; CenturyLink
Brent Christensen; Minnesota Telecom Alliance
Dan Lipschultz; Moss & Barnett PA, competitive carrier perspective
Tom Cohen; Kelley, Drye & Warren LLP for the American Cable Association
Dave Conn; T-Mobile
Dennis Ahlers; Minnesota Department of Commerce.

The Commission will welcome questions from attendees as time permits. As seating in the Commission's Large Hearing Room is limited the Commission will make available a live webcast of the proceeding (click on the webcast icon associated with this event on the Commission's calendar for January 12, 2012).

If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact Mark Oberlander (651-201-2212) or Kevin O'Grady (651-201-2218) of the Commission staff.

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