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FCC TO BE OPEN SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2005 AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2005 IN RESPONSE TO HURRICANE KATRINA RELIEF AND RESTORATION EFFORTS

Washington – The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) today announced that its offices providing emergency telecommunications service authorizations will be open on Saturday, September 10, 2005, and Sunday, September 11, 2005, to facilitate relief and reconstruction efforts by telecommunications providers affected by the devastation of Hurricane Katrina.

For Saturday, September 10, 2005, and Sunday, September 11, 2005, providers needing emergency STA authorizations, or needing to consult FCC bureaus and offices about their recovery efforts, can reach FCC personnel between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM at the following numbers:

Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau: (toll free) 888-225-5322

Enforcement Bureau: (202) 418-7450

International Bureau (for satellite issues): (202) 418-2368

Media Bureau: (202) 418-2180

Office of Engineering and Technology: (202) 418-2470, or email at oetsta@fcc.gov

Wireline Competition Bureau: (202) 418-1500

Wireless Telecommunications Bureau: (202) 418-0600

In addition, during evening hours, telecommunications providers needing FCC emergency assistance or STA's can call the FCC's Communications Center, which is open 24 hours a day, at (202) 418-1122.

For a list of all FCC Public Notices and Press Releases relating to Hurricane Katrina recovery efforts and extensions of FCC filing dates for regulatory fees and various regulatory proceedings, and for other hurricane recovery related information, go to the FCC's website, www.fcc.gov, and click on the "Hurricane Katrina Emergency Information" box at the top of the homepage.