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Minutes of the First Meeting of the FCC World Radiocommunication Conference Advisory Committee 2027 (WAC-27)

Date/Time: June 3, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. ET

Location: 45 L St NE, Washington DC

Committee Members Attending: See Appendix 1

Other Persons Attending: See Appendix 2

Meeting Statements: See Appendix 3

Meeting Summary:

1. Opening Remarks

Ms. Stancavage opened the meeting at 10:30 a.m. ET and welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the Committee. She introduced FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel. Chairwoman Rosenworcel thanked Ms. Stancavage and Ms. Baum as the newly appointed Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee. Chairwoman Rosenworcel also announced, with thanks, Gregory Baker to serve as the Designate Federal Official, along with the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the four Informal Working Groups (IWGs). She thanked the previous iteration of this committee for a successful outcome at WRC-23 and noted the WRC agenda for 2027 will include 6G and space issues which will allow US to show leadership. She sadly noted the loss of Ethan Lucarelli, the head of Office of International Affairs, and previously in her office.

Ms. Stancavage thanked Chairwoman Rosenworcel for her remarks and added some additional remarks welcoming the WAC-27 members. Ms. Baum gave introductory remarks thanking Chairwoman Rosenworcel for her appointment. She stated that she is looking forward to working with and facilitating collaboration amongst the Committee members on the many agenda items.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Ms. Stancavage sought approval of the meeting agenda, document **WAC27/001**. Seeing no concerns, the agenda was approved without change.

3. Advisory Committee Charter and Working Methods

Ms. Baum presented the Committee Charter, document **WAC27/002**, and asked Mr. Baker, the Committee's Designated Federal Official, to review this document. Mr. Baker explained that the

Committee Charter details the scope of work of the Committee, which is to provide advice, technical support, and recommended proposals to the FCC for WRCs, with particular emphasis on WRC-27 agenda items. These will be divided into four informal working groups. Mr. Baker moved on to present the Working Methods presentation, document **WAC27/003**. Mr. Baker took one question regarding the subscription to the listservers and confirmed that new subscriptions will be needed as old membership data will not be carried forward. Ms. Silberthau, FCC Office of General Counsel, provided an explanation of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) requirements and meeting guidance to the membership. A split agenda presentation appears as the records keeping portion appears within the slides. After Ms. Gamble's presentation on agenda item 4, below, Mr. Baker continued the review of the working methods.

4. Records Keeping

Ms. Gamble, FCC Office of Managing Director, provided guidance on the FACA records keeping requirements, document **WAC27/003**, for the Committee.

5. Presentation by NTIA on the RCS Process

Ms. Baum introduced Mr. Glass, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) WRC Coordinator. Mr. Glass explained that NTIA's Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee (IRAC) has an ad hoc committee looking at implementing WRC-23 final acts, and also the Radioconference Subcommittee (RCS) similar to the WAC which looks at individual WRC-27 agenda items. The RCS is also organized into five working groups, although its five working groups are not precisely aligned with the IWGs. The RCS provides recommendations on WRC-27 agenda items to NTIA. Following the meetings of the RCS, NTIA's proposals are transmitted to the FCC for consideration by the IWGs. NTIA also receives the Committee's recommendations for consideration at the RCS.

Ms. Baum thanked Mr. Glass for his comments.

6. Advisory Committee Structure Informal Working Groups

Ms. Stancavage introduced the Advisory Committee Structure and introduced each one of the IWG Chairs and Vice-Chairs in document **WAC23/004** as well as the individual agenda items assigned to each group. Ms. Stancavage stated the dates for the initial meetings have already been established and the IWGs are tasked with creating preliminary views, and in later stages proposals.

Ms. Stancavage sought approval of the Advisory Committee Structure, document **WAC27/004**. Seeing no concerns, the agenda was approved without change.

7. Future Meetings

Ms. Baum referred to document **WAC27/005**, the timeline for the Committee's work targeting the next WAC meeting and preparations for the CITEL meeting including the translation deadline.

8. Other Business

Ms. Stancavage asked for any other business from the floor. ARRL asked the duration of the WAC and whether members would need to reapply. Mr. Baker replied, the WAC exists for two years and upon renewal, membership will need to reapply. Viasat member Brennan Price provided an ethics disclosure that he also holds FCC licenses, and will recuse himself where conflicts of interest apply. Ms. Stancavage reminded attendees to record their presence for records. One online question was entertained regarding Federal Employee participation. Mr. Baker confirmed that Federal Employees may attend as observers.

Ms. Stancavage adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Signature

Documents Distributed:

WAC-27_001	WRC-27 1 st Meeting Agenda
WAC-27_002	WRC-27 Charter
WAC-27_003	WRC-27 Working Methods and Record Keeping PowerPoint
WAC-27_004	WRC-27 Structure
WAC-27_005	WRC-27 Timeline

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Appendix 1
World Radiocommunication Conference Advisory Committee
Member Attendance
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<u>Firstname</u>	<u>Lastname</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Member</u>
Alex	Epshteyn	Amazon Project Kuiper	Primary
Dan	Mansergh	Apple	Primary
Reza	Arefi	Apple	Alternate
Jon	Siverling	ARRL	Primary
Nic	Shrout	ASRI	Alternate
Toby	Youell	Avanti	Primary
Kim	Kolb	Boeing	Alternate
Audrey	Mikula	Charter	Primary
Michael	Mullinix	CTIA	Primary
Sarah	Leggin	CTIA	Alternate
Steve	Dulac	DirecTV	Primary
Mark	Racek	Ericsson	Primary
Noman	Alam	Ericsson	Alternate
Kimberly	Baum	Eutelsat	Primary
George	John	Fleet Space	Primary
Jim	Kilfeather	Globalstar	Primary
Stephen	Baruch	GPSIA	Primary
Veena	Rawat	GSMA	Primary
Jayne	Stancavage	Intel	Primary
Anum	Pirzada	Intelsat	Primary
Giselle	Creaser	Intelsat	Alternate
Tatiana	Lawrence	Iridium	Primary
Damon	Ladson	Iridium	Alternate
Scott	Kotler	Lockheed Martin	Primary
Alan	Norman	Meta	Primary
Frank	Korinek	Motorola Solutions	Primary
Rikin	Thakker	NCTA	Primary
Traci	Biswese	NCTA	Alternate
Amit	Mukhopadhyay	Nokia	Alternate
Mindel	DeLaTorre	OmniSpace	Primary
Molly	Gavin	OmniSpace	Alternate
David	Nemeth	Planet	Primary
Danielle	Piñeres	Planet	Alternate
Aspa	Paroutsas	Qualcomm	Primary
Ian	Christensen	Secure WF	Primary

Ryan	Henry	SES	Primary
Yu	Deng	SES	Alternate
Catherine	Hinckley	Telesat	Primary
Pascale	Dumit	T-mobile	Primary
Michael	Irizarry	UScellular	Primary
Narothum	Saxena	UScellular	Alternate
Daudeline	Meme	Verizon	Primary
Max	Solondz	Verizon	Alternate
Brennan	Price	Viasat	Primary
Christopher	Bair	Viasat	Alternate
Alex	Roytblat	WiFi Alliance	Primary

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Appendix 2
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FCC and Observers Attendance
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FCC Representatives:

Dante	Ibarra	Alternate DFO
Darice	Gamble	OMD
Jeffrey	Riordan	OMR
Louis	Bell	OIA
Paula	Silberthau	OGC
Steven	Balderson	OMR
Gregory	Baker	Designated Federal Official
Eric	Grodsky	OIA
Allen	Yang	OIA

Observers:

Audrey	Allison	The Aerospace Corporation
Charles	Glass	NTIA

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Below are statements that were requested to be included as part of the meeting summary record:

Statement of Brennan Price

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My name is Brennan Price. I have been appointed to the WRC-27 Advisory Committee by Viasat in my capacity as Director, Regulatory Affairs. I am also, individually, a Commission licensee in three personal radio services (the amateur service, amateur-satellite service, and general mobile radio service), and I hold a marine radio operator permit issued by the Commission.

During pre-appointment vetting, I disclosed these licenses and this permit and evaluated potential conflicts with Commission staff. We determined and agreed that, considering certain allocations to the amateur services in some (but not all) frequency bands under consideration in agenda items 1.8 and 1.15, I should disclose my status as an amateur licensee to the WAC and recuse myself from work relating to these frequency bands. This statement serves as the disclosure, and I will recuse myself from Committee work relating to the frequency bands I may utilize as an amateur licensee.

Brennan Price
Director, Regulatory Affairs
Viasat