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FCC CHAIRMAN MICHAEL POWELL ANNOUNCES STAFFING CHANGE

Washington, DC -- FCC Chairman Michael Powell today announced a staffing change in his office. Confidential Assistant Antonia McGowan has been named Deputy Agenda and Publications Group Manager in the Office of the Secretary. Judith Mann will succeed McGowan as Confidential Assistant to Chairman Powell.

"It is with deep regret that I announce Toni's departure from my immediate staff, as she pursues other professional opportunities and the chance to spend more time with her wonderful family" Powell said. "I am thrilled that she is staying in public service and will remain a valuable member of the FCC team. Toni has been a dedicated and invaluable member of my staff since my arrival at the Commission and has worked with me for 13 years. I thank her for the outstanding contributions she has made to my office and wish her every success in her new career at the Commission."

McGowan served as Confidential Assistant to Chairman Powell since 1997. Before joining the Commission, McGowan was a Legal Secretary providing a wide variety of management, administrative and organizational tasks for the law firm of O'Melveny & Myers LLP. Prior to that, she was the Purchaser-Customer Service Representative for Professional Products, Inc., a supplier of audio/visual systems and engineering design for government and broadcast markets in Bethesda, Maryland.

Judith Mann will become Confidential Assistant to the Chairman where she will be responsible for coordinating the Chairman's schedule and will serve as a principal contact and liaison between the Chairman's office and representatives of industry, the general public and government agencies.

Mann joined the FCC in 1997. Most recently, she has served as Staff Assistant to Christopher Libertelli, Legal Advisor to Chairman Powell. Before joining the Office of the Chairman in 2002, she worked in the International Bureau as a Telecommunications Support Specialist. Prior to her positions at the FCC, Mann worked at the Executive Office of the President and the Office of Management and Budget.

Powell said, "I've had the opportunity to work with and get to know Judy over the years, even more so after she joined my staff last year. I look forward to continuing to work with her and know she will be a great asset to me and to all those who will have the opportunity to work with her in this new capacity."