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FCC *EN BANC* HEARING AND CONFERENCE ON OVERCOMING BARRIERS TO COMMUNICATIONS FINANCING

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The Federal Communications Commission will hold an *En Banc* hearing and conference at Barnard College in New York City on Tuesday, July 29, 2008. The public is invited to attend free of charge.

The purpose of the hearing and the subsequent conference (or breakout session) is to enhance the knowledge of the Commission and attendees about: (i) the present state of capital markets as those markets impact ownership diversity in the media and telecom industries and, particularly, the success of minorities and women entrepreneurs; (ii) how financing is secured for new, diverse, resource-limited ventures, focusing on actual problems that have been encountered by women and minorities attempting to secure financing for media and telecom deals; and (iii) potential ways the Commission can help facilitate financing opportunities for minorities and women.

Immediately following the *en banc* hearing, there will be a break out session where attendees will have an opportunity to meet with representatives of potential financing sources.

A later notice will announce the speakers.

The *en banc* hearing will be held from 1:00 to 4:00 PM, followed by the breakout session. The hearing and conference are located in the James Room, 4th Floor, Barnard Hall, 3009 Broadway (at 117th Street) New York, NY 10027.

For further information, contact Barbara Kreisman, Chief, Video Division, Media Bureau at (202) 418-1600.

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