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INDIAN TELECOM TRAINING INITIATIVE 2002 TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 7-10, 2002
(Program To Begin One Day Earlier Than Previously Scheduled)

NEW DATES: September 7-10, 2002

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC), in conjunction with the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA), announces that the Indian Telecom Training Initiative (ITTI) 2002 program, originally scheduled for September 2001, but postponed to September 8-11, 2002, will begin one day earlier. ITTI 2002 will be held September 7-10, 2002, at Bally's Hotel in Las Vegas.

The ITTI 2002 program will provide American Indian tribal leaders, Alaskan Native Village leaders and other interested parties with information about the deployment of telecommunications services in Indian Country. The information provided will enable tribal governments to set their own telecommunications development agendas and priorities for increasing services in Indian Country. The program will bring together experts from the FCC and other government agencies, Indian Country, and the telecommunications industry to provide information and insight about how different service technologies, regulatory rules and government programs can be used to benefit tribal communities throughout Indian Country.

The inaugural ITTI conference, ITTI 2000, was the largest gathering of Native American tribal representatives ever assembled to address telecommunications issues. The nearly 600 seminar participants included representatives from 135 American Indian tribes and Alaskan Native Villages. In addition, 27 business and government entities hosted 32 booths in the Exhibit Hall and more than 35 organizations helped to sponsor the event.

The FCC welcomes your interest in this informative seminar for tribal nations. For additional information or to provide support for this event, please call (888) CALL-FCC (225-5322); TTY: (888) TELL-FCC (835-5322); or (717) 338-2888 and speak with a Consumer Advocacy and Mediation Specialist; or e-mail the FCC at ITTI2001@fcc.gov.

For more information on this initiative and other matters concerning telecommunications services for Indian Country, please visit our website: www.fcc.gov/indians.

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