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FCC REPRESENTATIVE TO SPEAK AT STATE CAPITOL

LINCOLN – A representative of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Media Bureau will appear Thursday morning at a meeting hosted by the Nebraska Public Service Commission.

Commission Chair Anne Boyle said William Freedman will discuss various aspects of the digital television (DTV) conversion from analogue to digital transmission of television signals. The conversion will take place on February 17, 2009. Those who have analogue televisions and use “rabbit ears” or a rooftop antenna must take action to continue to use their sets.

Among Freedman’s topics will be the \$40 coupons that are available from the FCC to help defray the cost of converter boxes. Freedman is part of the FCC national outreach program to inform all consumers.

Part of Freedman’s mission in conducting similar meetings around the country is to encourage people to make application as soon as possible for the coupons as the process may take several weeks. If the converter box is not installed, analogue televisions will go dark on February 17, 2009..

The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. in Room 1525 of the Nebraska State Capitol and is open to the public.

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