



## American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Broadband Initiative Kick Off

March 10, 2009 - 10:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.  
U.S. Department of Commerce Auditorium  
Washington, D.C.

### Agenda

- 10:00 Welcome and Host**  
*Anna Gomez, Acting Administrator, NTIA*
- 10:05 President Obama's Broadband Strategy**  
*Tom Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture*
- 10:20 Remarks from the Federal Communications Commission**  
*Acting Chairman Michael J. Copps*
- 10:30 Remarks from NTIA**  
*Rick Wade, Senior Advisor and Acting Chief of Staff*
- 10:40 Broadband Initiatives: Statutory Requirements & Timelines**  
*Dr. Bernadette McGuire-Rivera, Associate Administrator, NTIA*  
*David Villano, Assistant Administrator for Telecommunication Programs, USDA Rural Development*  
*Scott M. Deutchman, Acting Senior Legal Advisor to Acting Chairman Copps, FCC*
- 11:00 Comments from the Public**
- 11:30 Adjourn**

The Public Meeting will be streamed over the Web with captions and made available on NTIA's Web site [www.ntia.doc.gov/broadbandgrants](http://www.ntia.doc.gov/broadbandgrants).

Interested parties wishing to submit questions in advance of the meeting may do so by emailing them to:

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