

THE FREE STATE FOUNDATION
and
THE INSTITUTE FOR POLICY INNOVATION
present:
"THE FEDERAL UNBUNDLING COMMISSION?"

Tuesday, October 30, 2007
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
The Gold Room, Room 2168, Rayburn House Office Building

Senator Jim DeMint and **Representative Marsha Blackburn**, both members of the Commerce committees with jurisdiction over the Federal Communications Commission, will deliver keynote addresses at the October 30 conference. Sen. DeMint and Rep. Blackburn are two of the nation's most articulate and knowledgeable advocates of market-oriented communications policy reform. Senator DeMint will deliver the opening keynote and Representative Blackburn will deliver the luncheon address. FCC Communications Commissioner **Deborah Taylor Tate** will introduce Rep. Blackburn and deliver brief remarks.

Whether called "net neutrality" or "open access" or "a la carte" or "must carry," the FCC increasingly is considering imposing mandates that have the effect of requiring broadband service providers to unbundle and open their network facilities, applications, or content.

Is the FCC at risk of becoming known as "The Federal Unbundling Commission"? Do unbundling and open access mandates make for sound communications policy in the current market environment?

In addition to **Sen. DeMint, Rep. Blackburn,** and **Commissioner Tate**, an array of well-known expert scholars and leading industry representatives will address these questions, including **Robert Crandall, Brookings Institution; Christopher Yoo, University of Pennsylvania Law School; Kevin Werbach, University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School; James Gattuso, Heritage Foundation; Joe Waz, Comcast; Peter Davidson, Verizon; Rick Whitt, Google; and Tom Sugrue, T-Mobile.**

There is no charge for the conference and a complimentary lunch will be provided.

Please RSVP to Erin Fitch at erinfitc@ipi.org or **972-874-5139**.