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## **INCOMPAS Statement on Wheeler Resignation, Rosenworcel Departure**

WASHINGTON DC (December 15, 2016) – Today FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler said he would step down as Chairman of the FCC in January. Commissioner Rosenworcel will also be departing at the end of the year.

**In response, Chip Pickering, CEO of INCOMPAS, the Internet and competitive networks association, released the following statement:**

“We thank Chairman Tom Wheeler for his service and dedication to the American people. A fierce competitor, Wheeler always liked a good fight, especially when he had the American consumer in his corner.

“Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel’s dedication to our nation’s children and public safety is unmatched. We thank her for lifting the dialogue and elevating the debate with both substance and care.

“All Americans, consumers and businesses, have benefited from the Commission’s work over the past three years on access to new technologies and services, and we thank all five Commissioners for their hard work. Great challenges remain. There is still too much concentration of market power in our nation’s broadband infrastructure, and rural America is at significant risk of being left behind. More competition is the answer, and we look forward to working with Commissioners Pai, O’Reilly and Clyburn to fight for a better future.”

### **About INCOMPAS:**

INCOMPAS, the Internet and competitive networks association, is the leading trade group advocating for competition policy across all networks. INCOMPAS represents Internet, communications and technology companies large and small, advocating for laws and policies that promote competition, innovation and economic development. Learn more at [www.incompas.org](http://www.incompas.org) or follow us on Twitter: @INCOMPAS @ChipPickering