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INCOMPAS™ Concludes Successful Fall Show in San Francisco

Organization Showcases Growing Breadth of Members and Evolving Technology Platforms

WASHINGTON, D.C. – INCOMPAS™ (formerly known as COMPTEL) set the stage for the future of competition last week at the COMPTEL PLUS Fall 2015 Business Expo in San Francisco, bringing together more than 1,500 attendees for four days of education and deal making.

During the opening session, CEO Chip Pickering revealed the association’s new name, INCOMPAS, which reflects its growth and commitment to defending competition policy across a wide spectrum of evolving technology platforms. This announcement reflected the theme of the event, during which attendees were able to learn more about the future of competition and how to position their companies to succeed with new business opportunities.

The excitement generated by attendees, from communications, Internet and technology companies both large and small, as well as the positive feedback regarding new features in the Expo Hall and additional networking opportunities marked this as one of the organization’s most successful shows.

“Being in San Francisco, we are at the epicenter of innovation, where new ideas can take root and grow the revolutionary technologies that change the ways we learn, communicate and do business,” said Pickering. “This show exceeded our expectations, and most importantly, those of our members and exhibitors. INCOMPAS plans to build on this success and continue to grow our show to meet the needs of our evolving and expanding membership base.”

The event featured industry thought leaders delivering keynote addresses and participating in vibrant panel discussions; a new expo design with subject-specific education zones; and a variety of opportunities to meet with current and prospective clients.

Show highlights included:

- A one-on-one discussion between Pickering and FCC Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel.
- Insights on the future of competition from industry CEOs Chris Ancell of XO Communications, Randy Brouckman of EdgeConneX and Laura Thomas of TNCI.
- A new Sunday night keynote panel featuring Joe Eazor, president and CEO of EarthLink, and Kevin Laws, COO of AngelList, who focused on investment in the industry.
- Keynote addresses from other high-level executives, who discussed the disruptive impact of technology on video delivery and the future of content.
- New platform zones debuted in the Expo Hall, bringing additional educational programming focused on Networks, Data Center & Cloud, and Over-the-Top (OTT).
COMPTEL PLUS also upped the ante on networking opportunities, providing more meeting space in the Deal Center and throughout the Expo Hall, as well as a series of parties and social events. The show kicked off on Sunday night with a Wine Walk Welcome Reception, sponsored by Netflix; a Beers with Peers Networking Reception on Monday; and a Tuesday night closing party at Mezzanine sponsored by Google Fiber and featuring entertainment by the band Pop Rocks with special musical guest Mark McGrath of Sugar Ray.

Going forward in 2016, the association’s shows also will be rebranded with the INCOMPAS name. These events include:

- The INCOMPAS 2016 Policy Summit, February 8-11 in Washington, D.C.
- The 2016 INCOMPAS Shows, April 10-13 in Washington, D.C., and Oct. 23-26 in Dallas

About INCOMPAS
Formerly known as COMPTEL, INCOMPAS is the leading trade association for the competitive networks. INCOMPAS represents 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.

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