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NEW MEXICO SECRETARY FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ANNOUNCES PUBLIC FORUM WITH THE FCC TO DISCUSS STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS

Albuquerque, NM – Marlin Mackey, Secretary of the New Mexico Department of Information Technology (DoIT), today announced the Department will hold a public forum on public safety communications with Rear Admiral (ret.) James Arden Barnett, Jr., Chief of the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau at **10:00 a.m. on Monday, November 15, 2010** in the **Grand Central meeting room on the Second Floor of City Hall, 1 Civic Plaza - 4th and Marquette NW**.

WHO: **Marlin Mackey**, Secretary, New Mexico Department of Information Technology
Rear Admiral (ret.) James Arden Barnett, Jr., Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, FCC

WHAT: **Public Forum**, to highlight New Mexico's initiative to launch a statewide Public Safety Broadband Network, FCC policies and programs related to the National Broadband Plan, public safety voice communications, including Southwest border issues, national cybersecurity efforts; and other public safety and homeland security issues.

WHEN: **Monday, November 15, 2010**
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

WHERE: **Albuquerque City Hall**
Grand Central Conference Room, Second Floor
1 Civic Plaza (4th and Marquette)
Albuquerque, New Mexico

NOTE: **Reporters who plan to attend should contact Deborah Martinez via email: deborah.martinez@state.nm.us. Reporters should also plan on arriving 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the forum with a photo ID for security purposes.**
