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BREAKING NEWS

IBEC: FCC BROADBAND PLAN IS A “MIXED-BAG”

WASHINGTON, DC—International Broadband Electric Communications, Inc. (IBEC), the nation’s leading provider of Broadband over Power Lines (BPL) products and services to Rural America, commented on the FCC’s National Broadband Plan released today.

Alyssa Clemens Roberts, Government Affairs Coordinator of IBEC remarked:

“The number one goal should be providing all Americans with affordable, reliable, high-speed Internet as soon as possible; the FCC’s mixed-bag plan disappointedly lists that goal at third and provides itself a ten year period to reach it. We would have hoped for a more aggressive plan and look forward to working with the FCC and our utility and technology partners to accelerate that plan to the benefit of rural citizens.”

With BPL, customers literally plug into any electric outlet in their home to get broadband service. IBEC holds a number of industry-leading BPL patents. The cost to install BPL is a fraction of installing cable, DSL, or fiber optic solutions in rural areas because BPL relies on long-established and existing electric power lines and infrastructure.

IBEC, Inc. is a full-service provider of Broadband over Power Line Internet access solutions and services, electric utility SmartGrid management and control solutions, and powerline-based security systems. Focused on meeting the broadband needs of rural and underserved America, IBEC is the leading provider of Broadband over Power Line solutions to rural electric utilities and their consumers.

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