Welcome!

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Technology & Operations Strategic Plan

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Evolution of an Entertainment Medium

Act I

Broadcast Television, Birth – 70s

Act II

Cable Television, 70s – 2000

DTH - DBS

Act III Your Television, 2000 - Beyond

"Consumer Television"



What is public broadcasting doing to prepare for consumer television?

- Creatively converting all local stations to digital
- Developing local and national multicast services to support and enhance its mission
- Expanding and enhancing local and national web sites
- Developing the interactive TV landscape
- Building relationships with cable to ensure carriage of our digital services



How is PBS Technology & Operations supporting your digital mandate?

- Providing leadership on critical DTV standards, FCC rulemaking, developmental issues and funding support
- Re-designing the organization to support the 3-year plan and associated capital and operating expense budget
- Researching, analyzing and planning for the next generation of interconnection
- Developing a 3-year strategy plan: public broadcasting, anytime, anywhere, 24/7



Public Broadcasting: Anytime, Anywhere, 24/7

Strategic Imperatives:

- Ensure carriage on all platforms: digital broadcast, digital cable, DBS, satellite/interconnection, interactive television, internet and wireless
- Ensure 99% reliability across all platforms
- Ensure that PBS member stations transition to digital by 2003
- Participate in application trials and analysis for emerging technologies



PBS T&O Objectives FY2002 - 2004

- Control operational cost and increase efficiencies
- Broaden the relationship between PBS and member stations
- Achieve excellence in teaming across PBS business units



PBS T&O Objectives FY2002 - 2004

- Add value by leveraging the ability to deliver the broadest set of offers: technology, consulting, professional development, solutions, etc.
- Achieve "Best in Class" customer satisfaction
- Grow interconnection asset supported revenues
- Maintain high reliability across all distribution platforms



Business Environment

- Analog Television will continue to be public broadcasting's core business
- Existing multicast/SDTV packaged services will not greatly expand
- Online will continue to support and complement programming and promotional platforms



Business Environment

- E-commerce/B2B activity will be minimal
- There will be no breakthrough datacasting application
- Consumer acceptance of digital TV will take significantly longer than anticipated; analog spectrum return: 2008 earliest



Business Environment

- With launch of new satellite capacity, sales revenue will continue to be suppressed
- Digital technology sets up a distribution/control shift to decentralized model
 - Asset Management
 - ADDE





- Cable and DBS subscriber base will grow by 3-5 million households
- Wireless applications will grow



Operating Expense & Capital Budget, FY2002 - 2004

Investment Priorities

- Reliability
- DTV Transition (Stations and Braddock Place)
- Next Generation Interconnection
- Asset Management/Archiving
- Videostreaming



Technology & Operations Organization Design

EDWARD CALECA Senior Vice President Technology & Operations

JOHN TOLLEFSON
Vice President
Chief Technology Officer

GWEN WOOD
Vice President
Distribution Services
& Operations

MICHAEL HUNT
(Acting) Vice President
Information Technology

RALPH SCHUETZ
Director Broadcast Admin
& Program Management



Vice President - Chief Technology Officer

- Broadcast engineering
- DTV Planning
- Strategic technology plan
- DTV professional development
- MSO/DBS technical support
- Equipment & funding consultation
- DTV transition station support
- Interconnection, current & future



<u>Vice President – Distribution Services &</u>
Operations

- Broadcast operations & Technical Services
 Engineering
- Satellite sales & services
- Channel management
- Interconnection asset and revenue opportunities



Vice President - Information Technology

- Enterprise platform
- I.T. strategic plan
- Broadband technology platform
- Application/solutions support
- Communication/desktop platform



<u>Director – Program Management &</u>

Administration

- Interconnection agreement/contract
- Budget management
- Station communications
- Technology Conference support
- Engineering committee liaison



DTV Life Cycle





Slow Growth

Acceptance

2002-2005

Remediation

1999-2002

Introduction

Nov 1998

Birth

15 years



DTV Life Cycle - Slow Growth



Death

Decline - 2057

50 years

Renewal

Maturity - 2025

20 years

Early Maturity - 2015

10 years



DTV Life Cycle - Fast Growth



Decline - 2055

50 years

Renewal

Maturity - 2020

15 years

Early Maturity - 2010

5 years



Thank You!

