ACTA Working Group to Increase Commission Involvement in ACTA and Enforcement of Part 68

- Since the last ACTA meeting, the WG has met twice.
- The WG has 7 active members not including staff.
  - Milt Bush, WG Chair, Other Interested Party Interest Representatives
  - Jimmy Salinas, Service Provider Segment Representatives
  - Rich Mullen, Manufacturer Segment Representatives
  - Jim Haynes, ACTA Chair
  - John Bipes, Other Interested Party Interest Representatives
  - Trone Bishop, Service Provider Segment Representatives
  - Dave Jeskey (on behalf of Bob Brennan), Manufacturer Segment Representatives
- Some of the topics covered by the WG have been/are:
  - The WG reviewed the 2012 Enforcement Bureau appropriations document. It was noted that there was no mention of Part 68.
    - It was noted that the Enforcement Bureau has been very busy in 2011; the area of focus just isn’t Part 68.
    - It was noted that it appears the Enforcement Bureau is not being proactive, but rather it is being reactive to complaints.
  - It was suggested that ACTA could present a case to the FCC documenting how a complaint-driven enforcement process does not work, due to the fact that companies might be worried about what filing a complaint could do to their business relationships. The question was raised if there has been any Part 68 complaints filed with the FCC? The WG members had not heard of any.
  - The suggestion was made that ACTA should consider holding an open forum (as a webinar) to educate the industry. This idea will be discussed further during the next WG meeting.
    - http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-11-1333A1.txt.) It was noted that the section relevant to Part 68 deals with inside premises wiring, not directly with equipment. Since the PN is related to how the equipment connects to the PSTN, it is still relevant to ACTA.
  - Participants decided that it would be appropriate for ACTA to submit comments on this PN. It was noted that some of the information provided in the above email could be included.
  - The WG reviewed the FCC FAQs on the FCC website. It was noted that these pinpoint the roles of the FCC and SDOs regarding ACTA and Part 68. It was recommended that question 11 could be used when asking the FCC what type of enforcement action they have been taking. Participants discussed other ways to use these types of questions. It was decided that question could be used when answering filer inquiries.
  - Participants discussed the FCC Technology Advisory Council Presentation. It was noted that there was a more up-to-date copy of this document which the Secretariat would
post to the website. Participants decided to have a standing agenda item related to the PSTN Legacy to report on any items.

- Any IS Reps interested in participating on this WG should contact Milt Bush (Themcos@aol.com) and Kerri Conn (kconn@atis.org)