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**COMPTTEL PLUS Fall 2010 Regulatory Workshop Explores
Next-Generation Interconnection Agreements**

Half-Day Workshop on September 15 Sponsored by Casey, Gentz & Magness LLP

WASHINGTON, D.C. – COMPTTEL, the leading trade association for the competitive telecommunications industry, announced today that Casey, Gentz & Magness LLP (CGM) will be leading a half-day regulatory workshop focused on “Preparing for ‘Next Generation’ Interconnection Agreements” during the [COMPTTEL PLUS Fall 2010 Convention & EXPO](#) at the Gaylord Texan Resort and Convention Center in Dallas. The regulatory workshop will take place on September 15, 2010, from 9 a.m. to noon.

“Carriers nationwide are expecting changes in their interconnection agreements due to developments like the expiration of the AT&T merger commitments and the merger of Qwest and CenturyLink,” said CGM partner Robin Casey. “These agreements are fundamental to competitive telecom, and our workshop will focus on how to improve them as services and technologies evolve. We’ll also discuss current issues and challenges concerning access to pole attachments and public rights-of-way.”

The regulatory workshop will feature three panel discussions:

- *Interconnection and Intercarrier Compensation* – As services, networks, technology and regulations evolve, so will the future of interconnection and intercarrier agreements. This panel will discuss the business impacts of these changes as carriers develop new interconnection agreements.
- *Leased Facilities & Business Issues* – This panel will discuss how competitive carriers will have to adapt to changes in the regulatory landscape for unbundling and special access, as well as the dynamics around collocation, as they prepare for their next round of interconnection negotiations.
- *Obtaining Reasonable Access to Pole Attachments and Rights-of-Way* – This panel will explore how improving access to pole attachments and rights-of-ways have promoted network deployment and competition, and discuss challenges that still exist as well as additional reforms that may be necessary.

A [full list of speakers](#) can be found in the [regulatory workshop agenda](#) online. For more information about the show or [to register](#), please visit the [COMPTTEL PLUS Fall 2010 Convention & EXPO web site](#).

About COMPTTEL PLUS

COMPTEL *PLUS* is the preeminent networking event for innovative communications companies. Held twice a year, these events attract more than 140 unique exhibitors and 2,800 different attendees, who have the opportunity to learn about new products, services and industry trends, meet potential customers and do business. In addition to the trade show, COMPTEL *PLUS* offers comprehensive educational programming and experienced industry speakers. The COMPTEL *PLUS* Fall 2010 Convention & EXPO is scheduled for September 12-15, 2010, at the Gaylord Texan Resort and Convention Center in Dallas. For more information, please visit <http://comptel.org/content.asp?contentid=2153>.

About COMPTEL

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