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Eastern Caribbean Telecommunications Authority (ECTEL)

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"A JOURNEY OF CHANGE"

A Television documentary on the liberalization of the telecommunications sector in the ECTEL Member States

Castries, April 19th 2011 - A thirty-minute documentary highlighting the journey towards the liberalization of the telecommunications sector in the Eastern Caribbean will be broadcast simultaneously in the OECS region on May 4th 2011. The documentary addresses the rationale for the break-up of the monopoly which provided basic services for decades, and the establishment of a regional independent telecommunications regulator.

Among the individuals featured are the leaders of the countries who established the Eastern Caribbean Telecommunications Authority (ECTEL), the technocrats and commissioners who worked within the regional regulatory system and new service providers who have benefited from the liberalization of the sector. The documentary also pays tribute to those individuals who played a pioneering role in liberalization, provided leadership and dedicated support for the work of ECTEL.

Entitled "A journey of Change", the documentary was produced by ECTEL as part of the programme of activities for the 10th anniversary celebrations, and will be broadcast simultaneously by television stations on Grenada, Dominica, St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, and St. Vincent and the Grenadines, on May 4th 2011, which marks the eleventh anniversary of the signing of the treaty which established ECTEL.

ECTEL is the only multi-state telecommunications regulator in the world and was established by the Governments of the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, and St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

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