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CYBER BILL WOULD PROMOTE INDUSTRY-GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SHARING

Background: Today Rep. Mike Rogers, R-Mich., chairman of the House Permanent Select Intelligence Committee, introduced bipartisan legislation that would encourage government and industry to share on cyber threats.

The following statement is from USTelecom President & CEO Walter B. McCormick Jr.:

“We commend Chairman Mike Rogers and Ranking Member Dutch Ruppersberger for their leadership on cybersecurity issues, and are proud to support the bill they are introducing today. Our members are on daily patrol against cyber threats as they provide communications services to millions of customers across the nation. While we are deeply committed to protecting networks against cyber threats, we can’t solve the problem alone. There is a critical role for government in securing cyberspace, and today’s bill sets forth a path that would enable government and network providers to better share information in real time, while relying on market incentives to drive continuous improvement and innovation in cybersecurity. We look forward to working with Chairman Rogers and his committee as this bill moves through the legislative process.”

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About USTelecom

The United States Telecom Association, USTelecom, is the premier broadband trade association representing service providers and suppliers for the telecom industry. USTelecom represents companies offering a wide range of services across the communications platforms, including voice, video and data over local exchange, long distance, wireless, Internet and cable services.