

# Media Security

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) created the Media Security and Reliability Council (MSRC) in March 2002 to focus on developing a national strategy for securing and sustaining broadcast and multichannel video programming distribution (MVPD) facilities and other services throughout the United States in the event of terrorist attacks, natural disasters, and all other threats or attacks.

The MSRC is comprised of senior-level executives and representatives from broadcast, cable television and satellite service providers, public safety organizations, and other related entities.

## Objectives:

The mission of the Media Reliability and Security Council:

- The MSRC will prepare a comprehensive national strategy for securing and sustaining broadcast and MVPD facilities throughout the United States during terrorist attacks, natural disasters, and all other threats or attacks nationwide.
- The MSRC develops strategies that ensure the operation of broadcast and MVPD facilities before, during, and after a major event. This strategy will include recommendations for detecting, preparing for, preventing, protecting against, responding to and recovering from terrorist threats, natural disasters or other attacks upon America's infrastructure and its people.
- The MSRC will present its recommendations to the FCC and the industry. When implemented, the recommendations will seek to ensure optimal reliability, robustness, and security of broadcast and MVPD facilities throughout the United States.

## Working Groups

MSRC has two working groups:

- Public Communications and Safety; and
- Communications Infrastructure Security, Access and Restoration.

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