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## NRSC Announces New DRB Subcommittee Co-Chairs

## Current Subcommittee Chair Andy Laird retires

INDIANAPOLIS, IN - Glynn Walden, senior vice president, CBS Radio, and Jackson Wang, president and CEO, e-Radio, Inc. have been selected to co-chair the National Radio Systems Committee's (NRSC's) Digital Radio Broadcast (DRB) Subcommittee. The NRSC is a technical standards-setting body co-sponsored by the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) and the Consumer Electronics Association (CEA)®.

Walden, recipient of the 2004 NAB Engineering Achievement Award for radio, has been active in the DRB Subcommittee since its founding. In his previous capacity as Vice President of Broadcast Engineering for iBiquity Digital Corporation, he wrote the in-band/on-channel (IBOC) technical and regulatory specifications for what would eventually become the HD Radio digital radio system.

Wang is the founder of e-Radio, a smart grid communications solutions company. His career spans the Canadian military where he was an aerospace engineering officer, the private sector as a systems engineer with Litton Guidance and Control Systems on the U.S. Tomahawk Cruise Missile Program, and in the public sector with the Ontario Ministry of Transport where he was a senior project manager specializing in public private partnerships.

Walden and Wang succeed Andy Laird, former VP and CTO of Journal Broadcast Group, who has served at the helm of the DRB Subcommittee since 2007, when he succeeded Milford Smith, VP of radio engineering with Greater Media, as Smith became (and still is) the NRSC Full Committee chair. During Laird's tenure, a number of important NRSC documents were developed including the latest revision of the NRSC digital radio Standard, NRSC-5-C, which described significant new capabilities including operation with asymmetric digital sidebands (AM and FM band), operation with increased digital carrier power (FM band), and operation with reduced digital bandwidth (AM band).

Additional information about the NRSC, including information on becoming a member, is also available on the <u>NRSC's</u> <u>website</u>.

## About NAB

The National Association of Broadcasters is the premier advocacy association for America's broadcasters. NAB advances radio and television interests in legislative, regulatory and public affairs. Through advocacy, education and innovation, NAB enables broadcasters to best serve their communities, strengthen their businesses and seize new opportunities in the digital age. Learn more at <u>www.nab.org</u>.

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