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JOHNSON ELECTED NATIONAL RADIO SYSTEMS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN; NRSC TO STUDY AM STEREO, FM TECHNICAL STANDARDS

WASHINGTON, D.C., January 23, 1980 --- Wallace E. Johnson has been elected Chairman of the new National Radio Systems Committee whose first studies will concentrate on AM stereo and FM technical standards.

Mr. Johnson is Executive Director of the Association for Broadcast Engineering Standards and is a former Chief of the Federal Communications Commission's Broadcast Bureau.

James D. Kearney, manager, FCC/EIA programs, Audio Electronics Product Department, General Electric Company, was elected Vice Chairman of the NRSC.

The National Radio Systems Committee was formed to investigate and recommend methods of improving the overall transmission and reception of the AM and FM radio broadcasting services. The committee is co-sponsored by the National Association of Broadcasters and the Electronic Industries Association.

The NRSC intends to review the performance and compatibility of all components of the radio transmission system from program sources to receiving environment. When appropriate, recommended practices will be developed and published.

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Chairman Johnson said that members of the industry are invited to participate at both the committee and sub-committee levels. Committee members represent: manufacturers of receivers, broadcast equipment and broadcast associations. When the active participation of this specialized talent is realized, it is the aim of the NRSC to identify equipment design and operating practices which will assure the highest possible quality of AM and FM services.

The next NRSC meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 15 during the NAB convention in Las Vegas.

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