



Comcast Cable President and CEO Neil Smit Named C-SPAN Executive Committee Chairman

*Cox Communications President Pat Esser Completes 3rd Term as Chair,
Remains on Executive Committee*

Midco President and CEO Pat McAdaragh to Join Executive Committee

(September 20, 2016) – The C-SPAN Board of Directors today elected Comcast Cable President and Chief Executive Officer Neil Smit to serve as chairman of the Board's executive committee at the annual meeting of the cable network's board. Mr. Smit joined the C-SPAN board, as well as its executive committee, in 2005.

Mr. Smit succeeds Cox Communications President Pat Esser who served three consecutive one-year terms as chairman.

Also, today the board elected Pat McAdaragh, Midco President and CEO, to a seat on the Executive Committee.

"We are pleased Neil Smit has committed to serve as C-SPAN Board chair and help guide our strategic direction during this time of rapid change in the media industry," said Brian Lamb, executive chairman of the C-SPAN board. "We welcome Pat McAdaragh bringing a smaller operator's perspective to the Executive Committee. And we can't thank Pat Esser enough for his support and leadership, passionately pushing C-SPAN to expand our audience through social media engagement."

The chairman is elected annually to a one-year term. The seven member Executive Committee is the working group of the Board which can be authorized to set strategy and oversee the network's finances on behalf of the full Board. Also currently serving on the C-SPAN Executive Committee: Tom Rutledge, President and CEO, Charter Communications; Rocco Commisso, Chairman and CEO, Mediacom LLC; and John Evans, Chairman and CEO, Evans Telecommunications Co.

C-SPAN's Board of Directors is comprised of top cable executives of cable operating companies. The C-SPAN Board, which has had more than 140 members since 1979, establishes C-SPAN policy and oversees its financial operations, but is not involved in editorial decision making.

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About C-SPAN:

Created by the cable TV industry and now in nearly 100 million TV households, C-SPAN programs three public affairs television networks in both SD and HD; C-SPAN Radio, heard in Washington DC at 90.1 FM and available as an App (Android, iPhone, Blackberry); and a video-rich website offering live coverage of government events and access to the vast archive of C-SPAN programming. Visit <http://www.c-span.org/>.

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