

Resolution In Support Of A NARUC/IOGCC Pipeline Permitting Working Group

Whereas, The National Petroleum Council (NPC) issued a report entitled, "Meeting the Challenges of the Nation's Growing Natural Gas Demand"; and

Whereas, The objective of the study was to provide the requested advice on the potential contribution of natural gas in meeting the nations future economic, energy and environmental goals; and

Whereas, The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Committee on Gas and the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission (IOGCC), have similar interest in addressing key findings of the NPC report, relating to problems of pipeline permitting; and

Whereas, NARUC and IOGCC recognizes pipeline permitting as a national problem of mutual concern for both organizations; and

Whereas, A joint project between NARUC and IOGCC would identify all of the State and Federal permitting requirements to construct gathering, transmission and distribution pipelines and would make recommendations for streamlining those processes; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) convened in its March 2000 Winter Meeting in Washington, D.C., urges its members to support and endorse the creation of a Joint working group between NARUC and IOGCC to address the issues of pipeline permitting identified in the NPC report.
