

Resolution Authorizing NARUC to Seek ITU Membership

WHEREAS, The International Telecommunications Union (ITU) was established as an impartial, international organization within which governments and the private sector could work together to coordinate the operation of telecommunication networks and services and advance the development of communications technology; and

WHEREAS, The ITU has more than 189 State members from all over the world, 650 sector members including carriers, manufacturers, consultants, regional associations, and over 30 national regulators; and

WHEREAS, The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioner's (NARUC) Committee on International Relations believes that NARUC sector membership will enhance the Committee's international outreach activities; and

WHEREAS, The ITU offers an option for non-fee participation as long as the ITU is allowed to be represented at and participate in NARUC's meetings free of charge and have free access to NARUC publications; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened in its February 2002 Winter Meetings in Washington, D.C., hereby authorizes NARUC's General Counsel to get written details of the required scope of free ITU representation at NARUC meetings and publications access, and upon review and approval by the NARUC Executive Committee, apply to the ITU for a no-fee ITU sector membership in an appropriate

sector.

Sponsored by the Committee on International Relations

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