Resolution Endorsing Use of the Telegis Communications Information Data Base and Recommending Cooperation by All States in Providing Information Thereto

WHEREAS, On July 27, 1988, the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners' Committee on Communications adopted a resolution supporting the efforts of the Michigan Public Service Commission to build and maintain communications information in a data base for use on a personal computer; and

WHEREAS, The Committee recognized the need for and the value of such a data base, it agreed to investigate the further development of the data base; and

WHEREAS, Said data base has now been established by Public Communication Associates (PCA), a nonprofit research company, in conjunction with Michigan State University; and

WHEREAS, The PCA presented to the NARUC Staff Subcommittees on Communications and Cost Allocations a demonstration of the operating TELEGIS system during the 1990 NARUC Winter Committee Meetings; and

WHEREAS, The NARUC members would benefit from increased awareness of the activities of other State commissions, and from information that will be useful to State commissions and NARUC in developing strategies, positions and data for State proceedings, and from the increased efficiency in collecting information; and

WHEREAS, The value of the data base to State commissions and NARUC will remain of high quality only so long as each commission cooperates in supplying PCA with all significant future telecommunication orders, policies, rules and statutes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Executive Committee of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissions (NARUC), assembled at its 1990 Summer Meeting in Los Angeles, California, endorses the use of the TELEGIS communications data base and recommends cooperation by all State commissions in forwarding all significant future telecommunication orders, policies, rules and statutes to PCA for possible digesting and inclusion in the data base; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the NARUC and member Commissions explore supporting financially the development and access to the TELEGIS data through the existing E-Mail system.