Resolution Concerning Data Sharing

WHEREAS, The Separations Manual (Part 36) prescribes the rules all Local Exchange Carriers (LECs) must follow to assign or allocate costs to the interstate jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, These rules require LECs to develop certain allocation factors based on network usage data; and

WHEREAS, A LEC cannot independently measure or record all the usage data necessary to develop the allocation factors required in the rules and must rely on usage data provided by other LECs and Interexchange Carriers (IXCs); and

WHEREAS, A LEC also requires certain usage and billing data from other LECs and IXCs to bill accurately for access; and

WHEREAS, Since divestiture, the historical practice of sharing usage and billing data has deteriorated; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Executive Committee of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened at its Summer Meeting in San Francisco, California, recommends that State commissions and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) require all carriers to provide usage and billing data required to accurately perform jurisdictional separations and access billing; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the FCC and State commissions fully enforce relevant Federal and State access tariff reporting requirements that are necessary to provide usage and billing data on an accurate jurisdictional basis; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the NARUC General Counsel file this resolution and any necessary documents with the FCC to further this recommendation.

Sponsored by the Committee on Communications
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