

Resolution Honoring Commissioner Robert M. Garvin

WHEREAS, Robert M. Garvin was appointed to the Wisconsin Public Service Commission in March of 2001; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Garvin has an extensive background working on energy issues and working with Wisconsin utilities and consumers; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Garvin is a recognized leader in the promotion and development of wholesale electricity markets in the upper Midwest that benefit Wisconsin consumers; *and*

WHEREAS, In 2004, he was elected to serve a one-year term as Vice-President and lead State representative by State regulators within the Organization of MISO States, consisting of fourteen States and one Canadian province, to represent them in matters before the Midwest System Operator, MISO Advisory Committee and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; *and*

WHEREAS, In 2005, as the Vice-President of the Organization of MISO States, he led efforts to ensure that MISO developed and satisfied critical readiness metrics in advance of the start-up of MISO's day-ahead and real-time energy markets on April 1, 2005; *and*

WHEREAS, Before joining the Wisconsin PSC, Commissioner Garvin served as Legal Counsel and Policy Director to the Speaker of the Wisconsin State Assembly, and as the Legal Counsel and Manager of Governmental Affairs for Wisconsin Public Power Incorporated; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Garvin received both his Bachelor of Arts and law degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1988 and 1992; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Garvin has most ably and admirably served on the NARUC Board of Directors, Electricity Committee, Finance and Technology Committee, Subcommittee on Nuclear Issues-Waste Disposal (Chairman 2005-2006) and on the Clean Coal Technology Steering Committee; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Garvin testified on behalf of NARUC before Congress in March 2005, bringing to the attention of Congress the need for reforming the method used to appropriate monies from the Nuclear Waste Fund to the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management so that the ample funding stream from nuclear utilities and their ratepayers can be made fully and consistently available to fund the nuclear waste repository and meet statutory and contractual obligations; *and*

WHEREAS, Commissioner Garvin has further distinguished himself by serving a sixteen-month deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom as a member of the Wisconsin Army National Guard where he was the 3rd Corps Support Group senior prosecutor at Logistics Supply Area Anaconda in central Iraq in 2005 and 2006; *and*

WHEREAS, His resignation from the Wisconsin Public Service Commission means NARUC will lose one of its most level-headed, personable, dedicated and hard-working members; *now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened at its 2007 Winter Meeting in Washington, D.C., extends its sincere appreciation to Commissioner Garvin for his outstanding public service and wishes him continued success in his future endeavors.

Sponsored by the Committee on Electricity

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