Resolution Honoring Denise Parrish

WHEREAS, Ms. Denise Parrish is now completing her three year term as Chair of the NARUC Staff Subcommittee on International Relations, during which she has provided extraordinary service to the Committee through her wise guidance to the Committee members and her valued leadership to the staff; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Parrish is dedicated to public service at the State, regional, national, and international levels and showed her commitment and leadership not only as a member and former Chair of the NARUC Subcommittee on Accounting and Finance, but as an unofficial advisor to many international regulatory agencies; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Parrish has developed a vast treasury of knowledge and experience encompassing the field of regulatory accounting and extending well beyond it; and

WHEREAS, She has been extraordinarily generous in sharing her knowledge and experience with colleagues throughout the United States and around the world through teaching in regulatory educational programs and international exchanges; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Parrish seeks out ways to inform the domestic regulatory community about international utility and regulatory viewpoints and vice-versa; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Parrish, during her tenure as the Subcommittee Chair, may have visited more countries than the member countries of the United Nations, including but not limited to the regions of Africa, Central America, Europe and Eurasia and the Middle East; and

WHEREAS, The Energy Regulators Regional Association (ERRA) in Budapest, Hungary has declared that they “simply adore her” because of her keen listening skills, unflinching curiosity and solutions-orientated presentations on a broad range of tariff issues for the benefit of 24+ countries in the Tariff/Pricing Committee; and

WHEREAS, Denise has compiled a voluminous photographic record of the activities of her colleagues during such programs and exchanges, and to date has scrupulously observed the unofficial motto of NARUC exchange programs, that whatever happens in [name of country] stays in [name of country]; and

WHEREAS, Rick provided doughnuts to Staff Subcommittee meetings and exuberantly supported her regulatory travels all over the world; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the NARUC Board of Directors, convened at its 2011 Summer Committee Meetings in Los Angeles, California, expresses it sincere appreciation to Denise Parrish for her years of dedicated public service and her leadership of the Staff Subcommittee on International Relations; and be it further
RESOLVED, That the Committee and Staff Subcommittee on International Relations and all NARUC members convey their best wishes to Ms. Parrish as she continues her contributions to promote regulatory best practices in the US and abroad.

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