

***Resolution Honoring Peter Bluhm***

**WHEREAS**, Hiring Peter Bluhm at the Vermont Public Service Board was one of the best decisions Mike Dworkin has ever authorized; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Peter Bluhm proves that physicists make the best telecommunications regulators; *and*

**WHEREAS**, We do not know what we will do without having Peter around to help Joel clean up his act; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Peter has been an indispensable staff member of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service and Federal-State Joint Board on Separations; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Peter loves driving to Washington, D.C., and staying in cheap motels to make ex parte presentations to the Federal Communications Commission; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Peter's retirement leaves such a hole in the New England Conference of Public Utility Commissioners (NECPUC), National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) and the Vermont Staff that we don't know what we will do without him; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Besides being an ace telecommunications regulator, Peter is also a very competent carpenter as evidenced by his wonderful homestead outside Montpelier; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Before Peter was a telecommunications regulator he contributed greatly to his community by serving on his local Board of Education; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Peter, in this capacity, keenly rejected much of the educational establishment's "B.S." that is trendy; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Peter has recognized the similarity between school, Universal Service and the political implications of those similarities; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Peter has always been willing to lend a hand to his fellow regulators even when he was already overloaded with responsibility; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Peter loves legal writing in the passive tense; *and*

**WHEREAS**, There are over 200,000 lines of inquiry which we are confident Peter will pursue; *and*

**WHEREAS**, We are certain Vermont, NECPUC's and NARUC's loss will make the National Regulatory Research Institute (NRRI) a valuable and indispensable resource for telecom regulators; *now, therefore, be it*

**RESOLVED**, That the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, convened in its 2008 Winter Meetings in Washington, D.C., hereby honors Peter Bluhm for the many years of dedicated service he gave to the Vermont Public Service Board, NARUC and the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service and the Federal-State Joint Board on Separations; *and be it further*

**RESOLVED**, That we give Peter Bluhm our best wishes as he begins his tenure at the NRRI; *and be it further*

**RESOLVED**, That NARUC's General Counsel forward a copy of this Resolution to Peter's wife, Valerie Bluhm.

This "Cheers" is for you.

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*Sponsored by the Committee on Telecommunications  
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