

***Resolution Supporting the National Action Plan for Energy Efficiency VISION FOR 2025:
Developing a Framework for Change***

WHEREAS, The National Action Plan for Energy Efficiency (Action Plan) was released on July 31, 2006, recommending key action items for public policymakers and private industry to consider in each region, with the goal of saving consumers billions of dollars in energy costs over the next 15 years; *and*

WHEREAS, The Action Plan presented the following five key policy recommendations for fully developing the cost-effective energy resources in this country: (1) Recognize energy efficiency as a high priority energy resource; (2) Make a strong, long-term commitment to cost-effective energy efficiency as a resource; (3) Broadly communicate the benefits of and opportunities for energy efficiency; (4) Provide sufficient, timely, and stable program funding to deliver energy efficiency where cost-effective; and (5) Modify policies to align utility incentives with the delivery of cost-effective energy efficiency and modify ratemaking practices to promote energy efficiency investments; *and*

WHEREAS, On August 2, 2006, the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners adopted a “*Resolution Supporting the National Action Plan on Energy Efficiency*” that endorsed the principal objectives and recommendations of the Action Plan; commended to member commissions a State-specific and regional review of its recommendations to identify potential improvements in energy efficiency policy; and encouraged State commissions and other stakeholders to take specific actions to move their States aggressively toward increased energy efficiency; *and*

WHEREAS, The aspirational goal for the Action Plan is to achieve all cost-effective energy efficiency by 2025; *and*

WHEREAS, The National Action Plan for Energy Efficiency Leadership Group identifies 10 implementation goals necessary to meet the objective of achieving all cost-effective energy efficiency in its *Vision for 2025: Developing a Framework for Change*; *and*

WHEREAS, The 10 implementation goals are as follows:

1. Establishing Cost-Effective Energy Efficiency as a High-Priority Resource;
2. Developing Processes to Align Utilities Incentives Equally for Efficiency and Supply Resources;
3. Establishing Cost-Effectiveness Tests;
4. Establishing Evaluation, Measurement and Verification Measures;
5. Establishing Effective Energy Efficiency Delivery Mechanisms;
6. Developing State Policies to Ensure Robust Energy Efficiency Practices;
7. Aligning Customer Pricing and Incentives to Encourage Investment in Energy Efficiency;
8. Establishing State-of-the-Art Billing Systems;
9. Implementing State-of-the-Art Efficiency Information Sharing and Delivery Systems;
and
10. Implementing Advanced Technologies; *and*

WHEREAS, NARUC's support for the *Vision for 2025: Developing a Framework for Change* recognizes the key role to be played by State commissions in achieving the full potential of energy efficiency; *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., endorses the principal objectives and recommendations expressed by the National Action Plan for Energy Efficiency Leadership Group in its *Vision for 2025: Developing a Framework for Change*; *and be it further*

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors commends to its member commissions the guidance provided by the *Vision for 2025: Developing a Framework for Change* to advance State-specific policies and frameworks enabling the acquisition of all cost effective energy efficiency by 2025.

*Sponsored by the Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment
Adopted by the Board of Directors February 20, 2008*