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NARUC Responds to FERC's Order Initiating a New Grid Resilience Proceeding

WASHINGTON—The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners has issued the following statement in response to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ruling to initiate a new proceeding on grid resilience and terminate its previous notice of proposed rulemaking on the Department of Energy's proposal on grid reliability and resilience pricing.

"We applaud the Commission for upholding the rule of law and taking the only appropriate actions under the circumstances. NARUC welcomes a thorough vetting of these issues and a dialogue among its members, NERC, the ISOs/RTOs, DOE and FERC as to what kinds of resilience is required and at what cost it should be pursued.

"We also appreciate FERC's acknowledgment that resilience issues 'extend beyond the Commission's jurisdiction' and its explicit encouragement for interested entities to engage with state regulators and others to address resilience at the distribution level."

—NARUC President John Betkoski III of Connecticut

About NARUC

NARUC is a non-profit organization founded in 1889 whose members include the governmental agencies that are engaged in the regulation of utilities and carriers in the fifty States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. NARUC's member agencies regulate telecommunications, energy, and water utilities. NARUC represents the interests of State public utility commissions before the three branches of the Federal government.