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NARUC Observes National Fix-A-Leak Week: March 18-24

WASHINGTON (March 18, 2019) —The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and its members are reminding citizens across the United States to participate in **Fix-A-Leak Week** March18-24, 2019.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's WaterSense initiative promotes water efficiency and conservation by reminding all Americans to check their household fixtures and irrigation systems for leaks. Common household leaks are responsible for more than **1 trillion** gallons of water wasted each year.

State utility commissions have joined NARUC in the annual observance by reaching out to their communities through social media campaigns, press releases and links to the WaterSense website, all in an effort to provide important resources and information to help individuals and communities become more water efficient. NARUC has supported the program each year since 2008.

The EPA's WaterSense website, <u>https://www.epa.gov/watersense/fix-leak-week</u>, has videos, leak detection guides and more information to help locate costly leaks — indoors and outside.

"Being more water efficient requires minimal effort — you don't need special training or expertise. It's something that anyone can do," said NARUC President Nick Wagner. "Because water is an essential resource, we hope that the tips and resources provided through WaterSense are helpful for households to use water resources efficiently."

NARUC's board of directors passed a resolution at the 2019 Winter Policy Summit in Washington, D.C., that endorses the WaterSense Fix-A-Leak Week program. To read the resolution, go to <u>http://bit.ly/NARUCFALW19</u>.

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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.