



ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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Commissioner Doug Little appointed to National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners Board of Directors

(Phoenix) Arizona Corporation Commissioner (ACC) Doug Little has been selected to serve on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC).

NARUC is a non-profit organization dedicated to representing the state public service commissions who regulate the utilities that provide essential services such as energy, telecommunications, power, water, and transportation. The NARUC Board consists of 20 members, plus the President, First and Second Vice Presidents of NARUC, and each past President who is still an active NARUC member. The Board oversees NARUC's efforts to improve the quality and effectiveness of public utility regulation.

"Commissioner Little has become a strong voice and leader for energy policy nationwide," said NARUC President Rob Powelson. "He is a natural fit for the Board and brings his own innovative and critical-thinking to policymaking, which will benefit not only NARUC members but the communities they serve."

Commissioner Little was elected to the ACC in November 2014 and was sworn into office in January 2015. He served as ACC Chairman from January through December of 2016. He was recently one of only five state regulators nationwide to be nominated for Utility Dive's annual Policymaker of the Year Award. Prior to his election, Little spent three decades in the computer software industry. He is also a member of NARUC's Committee on Electricity, is Vice-Chairman of the Western Energy Imbalance Market-Body of State Regulators, and is an active participant in the Western Interconnection Regional Advisory Board.

"It is truly an honor to be appointed to this position," said Little. "I look forward to being part of the Board's pro-active work to guide policymakers to find solutions to tough energy, natural gas, water, and communications issues that lie ahead."

The Board members serve four year terms. Little's appointment begins immediately and will continue through October 2020.

Established by Article 15 of the state's constitution, the Arizona Corporation Commission is responsible for the regulation of public utilities, overseeing the incorporation or registration of companies wishing to do business in Arizona. Additionally, the Corporation Commission registers and oversees securities offerings and dealers, and enforces railroad and pipeline safety. The five commissioners that make up the Commission are elected by the people of Arizona for a four-year term, with the option of serving for two consecutive terms. To learn more about the Arizona Corporation Commission and the Commissioners, please check out <http://www.azcc.gov/Divisions/Administration/about.asp>

