

## CONFERENCE/MEETING NOTICE

### NARUC STAFF SUBCOMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

*September 13 – September 16, 2010*

**Providence, Rhode Island**

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**WHAT** The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Staff Subcommittee on Accounting and Finance will be holding its fall 2010 conference/meeting at the Renaissance Providence Hotel in Providence, Rhode Island. The purpose of the conference/meeting is to provide accounting, finance, and utility regulatory information to personnel with all levels of experience who work in the ever-changing utility regulatory environment.

**WHEN** Open Session for all conferees Monday, September 13, 2010 through Noon on Wednesday, September 15, 2010.  
Closed Session (for subcommittee members and regulatory conferees) through about Noon on Thursday, September 16, 2010. Closed session also Sunday evening, September 12, 2010.

**WHERE** [Renaissance Providence Hotel >>](#)  
5 Avenue of the Arts, Providence, Rhode Island 02903  
Front Desk: (401) 919-5000, Fax: (401) 276-0023

**HOTEL RATE** \$139 per night plus taxes for all registrants reserving a standard room or standard king room.

**RESERVATIONS** Please use the link above or below for reservations  
<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/pvdbr?>  
The conference group rate code, namara, is already entered.

Or call 1-800-468-3571 and identify the group as namara.  
**Reservation Block through August 20, 2010.**

**A limited block of rooms has been reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. It is recommended that you book a room immediately. The cutoff date is August 20, 2010 for reservations at these rates. However, once the block of rooms is filled, depending on overall room availability at the hotel, rooms may not be available at the contracted rate.** After this date, reservations will be accepted on a space and rate availability basis. **Failure to make your reservation prior to the cutoff date may result in rooms not being available or available, but at a higher rate.**

**CONFERENCE COST** Early Registration must be received by **COB August 27, 2010** or pay a late fee.  
Regulatory Personnel, \$200.  
Industry or Consulting Personnel, \$250.  
Late Fee for Registration After August 27, 2010, \$25.

- REGISTRATION      **Mail the enclosed registration form and attach your check (made out to “NARUC”) as soon as possible, but no later than August 27, 2010. Sorry, credit cards are not accepted.** After that date, the \$25 late fee applies. You may fax late registration forms and register on-site, please bring full payment with you. Requests for refunds must be received in writing by September 8, 2010. No refunds can be granted after that date. For more information regarding administrative policies such as complaints and refunds, please contact Terri Carlock, Chair, at (208) 334-0356 or by e-mail at [Terri.Carlock@puc.Idaho.gov](mailto:Terri.Carlock@puc.Idaho.gov).
- PARKING            Conference rate for Valet parking with in and out privileges is \$25 per car per day. Other parking on-site at the hotel is \$26 daily. Off-site parking is \$5 hourly or \$25 daily.
- INTERNET           Complimentary high-speed internet in each guestroom will be provided.
- TENTATIVE  
AGENDA            Sunday – SEC/FASB Meeting for Regulatory Conferees  
Monday – FASB/SEC, Accounting Specific Presentations, Electric Presentations, EEI Reception  
Tuesday – FERC, RUS, Gas Presentations, FCC, Telecommunications’ Presentations, Subcommittee Reception  
Wednesday – Financial Presentations, Water Presentations, Telecommunications Roundtable breakout session, Regulatory Projects/Updates (closed session – for regulatory conferees), Subcommittee Dinner  
Thursday – Regulatory Projects and Committee Business (closed session – for regulatory conferees)
- A more complete agenda is being developed and will be emailed.  
                          Contact Terri Carlock at (208) 334-0356 or [Terri.Carlock@puc.Idaho.gov](mailto:Terri.Carlock@puc.Idaho.gov).
- HANDOUTS           Speakers should bring enough handouts for 110 people for the open sessions and 50 people for the closed session. Electronic versions of your presentations are also greatly appreciated. Please e-mail your presentation to Terri Carlock at [Terri.Carlock@puc.Idaho.gov](mailto:Terri.Carlock@puc.Idaho.gov) by September 8, 2010.
- MEETING ROOM  
EQUIPMENT        A PowerPoint projector will be available in the meeting room. Please contact Terri Carlock if you have additional equipment needs such as an overhead projector. Please note that there is a no smoking policy in the meeting rooms.
- SHIPPING  
BOXES              Any materials being sent to the Hotel should be marked with:  
                          Renaissance Providence Hotel  
                          5 Avenue of the Arts,  
                          Providence, Rhode Island 02903  
                          Arrival Date:  
                          Your Name and  
                          NARUC Staff Subcommittee on Accounting and Finance

Due to storage limits, material should not arrive more than 3 days in advance of the meeting.

LEARNING  
OBJECTIVES

After completion of this conference you will be able to:

- Identify the current accounting initiatives, standards and projects at the SEC, FASB and IASB relevant to utilities and rate-regulated activities.
- Determine the impact from recent and planned auditing standards and inspection findings at PCAOB.
- Identify the characteristics of programs funded by the Rural Utilities Service.
- List the emerging issues at the FCC, FERC and from Legislative actions.
- Identify the regulatory issues facing the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission.

CPE CREDITS

Based on previous experience, 19 to 21 hours of CPE credits will be available to participants attending the open sessions, with an additional 2 to 3 hours available in the closed sessions.

This conference provides a general review of new accounting pronouncements and issues that affect regulated utilities. The conference presentation method is group-live and the course level is intermediate. Prerequisite: Background in Accounting and Regulatory Issues. There is no advance preparation needed for this conference. The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) is registered with the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) as a sponsor of continuing professional education on the National Registry of CPE Sponsors. State boards of accountancy have final authority on the acceptance of individual courses for CPE Credit. Complaints regarding registered sponsors may be addressed to the National Registry of CPE Sponsors, 150 Fourth Avenue North, Suite 700, Nashville, TN 37219-2417. Web site: [www.nasba.org](http://www.nasba.org).



WEATHER

The normal daytime temperature averages in the mid 70's with night temperatures in the mid 50's.

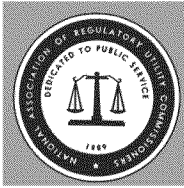
PROVIDENCE  
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INFORMATION

Providence Warwick Convention and Visitors Bureau:  
<http://www.goprovidence.com/>

RHODE ISLAND  
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INFORMATION

Rhode Island Tourism Information:  
<http://www.visitrhodeisland.com/>

If you have questions regarding this conference, please contact Terri Carlock, Chair, at (208) 334-0356 or [Terri.Carlock@puc.Idaho.gov](mailto:Terri.Carlock@puc.Idaho.gov)



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COMMISSIONERS  
STAFF SUBCOMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE  
FALL CONFERENCE / MEETING REGISTRATION FORM  
September 13-16, 2010  
Providence, Rhode Island**

**Please complete this form and submit with payment before August 27, 2010. Checks should be made payable to NARUC. Sorry, credit cards are not accepted. REGISTRATION FEES SHALL NOT BE REFUNDABLE AFTER September 8, 2010, ABSENT AN EXTRAORDINARY EVENT. Registration and payments should be mailed to:**

**Kenneth Ackerman  
USDA-RUS - Program Accounting & Regulatory Analysis  
1400 Independence Avenue, SW Stop 1530  
Washington, D.C. 20250-1530  
Phone Number: (202) 720-9460  
Fax Number: (202) 720-8435**

*Payments or registrations mailed directly to NARUC in Washington, D.C. may delay registration.*

Please print or type

Name:	Title:
Company/Firm/Agency:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
E-mail address:	
Telephone:	Fax:
Do you wish to obtain CPE Credit Hours? (please circle one)      YES                      NO	

<b>Registration Fees</b> (Please check all that apply.)			
	Number	Amount	Total
Regulatory/Government Employee		\$200.00	
Company/Consultant		\$250.00	
Late Fee after <b>August 27, 2010</b> (Receipt Date)		\$25.00	

<b>Special Activities (Open to Attendees and Guests)</b>			
	Number	Amount	Total
Group Dinner		\$25.00	
<b>TOTAL PAYMENT</b>	██████████		

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Americans with Disabilities Act.