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RESOLUTION NO.

Authorize the Commissioner- in-Charge of the Offices of Energy and of Cable Communications and Franchise to represent the City Council regarding electric utility, cable and telecommunications deregulation and competition issues before the Oregon State Legislature Authorize Office of Government Relations to establish two advisory committees a Community Advisory Committee and a Bureau Advisory Committee, on electric utility, cable and telecommunications deregulation and competition (Resolution)

WHEREAS, the 1997 Oregon legislature will soon convene, and will consider legislation on electric utility and telecommunications deregulation, competition and compensation issues,

WHEREAS, the City of Portland has Charter authority to oversee the activities of public utilities within the city, including the establishment of franchises and utility licenses and accompanying fees, and the City has Charter authority to manage the public rights-of-way,

WHEREAS, the City's Comprehensive Plan, Energy Policy, Sustainable City Principles, CO2 Reduction Strategy, and Telework Policy have set several goals for the City government and the community in areas of energy efficiency, energy supply and Telecommuting, and

WHEREAS, the City has actively developed policy in its telecommunications and cable franchises to both encourage competition and protect the public interest in right-of-way management and fair compensation,

WHEREAS, the public expects the City government to participate in energy, cable and telecommunications deregulation, competition and compensation issues that affect the community,

WHEREAS, because of potential impacts on the City, it is necessary to discuss these issues at both city-wide and bureau levels, and necessary for one Council member to represent the City Council and facilitate discussion of these issues,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Portland, that the Commissioner-in-Charge of the Offices of Energy and of Cable Communications and Franchise in conjunction with the Office of Government Relations is authorized to represent the City Council regarding electric utility, cable and telecommunications deregulation and competition issues before the Oregon State Legislature

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Office of Government Relations is authorized to organize the following two committees to advise the Commissioner-in-Charge of the Offices of Energy and of Cable Communications and Franchise

1) A Community Advisory Committee, which will meet over the course of approximately two to three months to provide a forum to share information and perspectives from vitally interested parties. The intended membership of this committee includes representatives from Portland General Electric, PacifiCorp, Northwest Natural Gas, US West, Air Touch Cellular, Paragon Cable, Northwest Energy Advocates, the Citizens' Utility Board, the Northwest Conservation Act Coalition, the Neighborhood Associations and the Chamber of Commerce

2) A Bureau Advisory Committee, which is intended to serve on an ongoing basis to provide information and policy support for electric, cable and telecommunications deregulation issues. The intended membership of this committee includes representatives of the Office of Finance and Administration, Auditor's Office, Energy Office, Office of Cable Communications and Franchise Management, City Attorney's Office, the office of the Commissioner-in-Charge of Energy and of Cable Communications and Franchise, as well as the Bureaus of Transportation, Planning, General Services, Parks, Buildings, Licenses, Environmental Services and Water

Adopted by the Council, **NOV 27 1996**

Mayor Vera Katz
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November 20, 1996

BARBARA CLARK
Auditor of the City of Portland
By Deputy

Betta Olson

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Mayor Vera Katz	Barbara Clark Auditor of the City of Portland
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Finance and Administration <i>JK</i>	By <i>Cay Kershner</i> Deputy
Safety	
Utilities	For Meeting of _____
Works	
BUREAU APPROVAL	ACTION TAKEN
Bureau Government Relations	
Prepared by Marge Kafoury Date November 20 1996	
Budget Impact Review	
___ Completed ___ X Not Required	
Bureau Head Marge Kafoury <i>mk</i>	

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City Attorney		Kafoury	Kafoury		
City Auditor		Lindberg	Lindberg		
City Engineer		Katz	Katz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	