

ACCOUNTANT SHALL ANNUALLY AUDIT ALL RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF COMMISSION ACCOUNTS AND FUNDS AND SUBMIT AN AUDIT REPORT TO THE COMMISSION. SUCH AUDIT REPORT SHALL BE MADE A PART OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSION REQUIRED BY ARTICLE IV (1) (3).

L. THE COMMISSION MAY ACCEPT, RECEIVE, UTILIZE, AND DISPOSE FOR ANY OF ITS PURPOSES AND FUNCTIONS ANY AND ALL DONATIONS, LOANS, GRANTS OF MONEY, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, MATERIALS, AND SERVICES (CONDITIONAL OR OTHERWISE) FROM ANY STATE OR THE UNITED STATES OR ANY SUBDIVISION OR AGENCY THEREOF, OR INTERSTATE AGENCY, OR FROM ANY INSTITUTION, PERSON, FIRM OR CORPORATION. THE NATURE, AMOUNT AND CONDITION, IF ANY, ATTENDANT UPON ANY DONATION, LOAN, OR GRANT ACCEPTED PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH, TOGETHER WITH THE IDENTITY OF THE DONOR, GRANTOR, OR LENDER, SHALL BE DETAILED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSION. THE COMMISSION SHALL BY RULE ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS, LOANS, GRANTS OF MONEY, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, MATERIALS, AND SERVICES. THIS SHALL PROVIDE THAT NO DONOR, GRANTOR OR LENDER MAY DERIVE UNFAIR OR UNREASONABLE ADVANTAGE IN ANY PROCEEDING BEFORE THE COMMISSION.

M. THE COMMISSION HEREIN ESTABLISHED IS A BODY CORPORATE AND POLITIC, SEPARATE AND DISTINCT FROM THE PARTY STATES AND SHALL BE SO LIABLE FOR ITS OWN ACTIONS. LIABILITIES OF THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT BE DEEMED LIABILITIES OF THE PARTY STATES, NOR SHALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION BE PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR ACTION TAKEN BY THEM, IN THEIR OFFICIAL CAPACITY.

1. THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY COSTS OR EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CREATION, OPERATION, CLOSURE, POST-CLOSURE OBSERVATION AND MAINTENANCE, AND INSTITUTIONAL CONTROL OF ANY REGIONAL FACILITY, OR ANY ASSOCIATED REGULATORY ACTIVITIES OF THE PARTY STATES.

2. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED HEREIN, THIS COMPACT SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO ALTER THE INCIDENCE OF LIABILITY OF ANY KIND FOR ANY ACT, OMISSION, OR COURSE OF CONDUCT. GENERATORS, SHIPPERS AND CARRIERS OF WASTES, AND OWNERS AND OPERATORS OF SITES SHALL BE LIABLE FOR THEIR ACTS, OMISSIONS, CONDUCT, OR RELATIONSHIPS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL LAWS RELATING THERETO.

N. THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTS IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SHALL HAVE ORIGINAL JURISDICTION OF ALL ACTION BROUGHT BY OR AGAINST THE COMMISSION. ANY SUCH ACTION INITIATED IN A STATE COURT SHALL BE REMOVED TO THE DESIGNATED UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT IN THE MANNER PROVIDED BY ACT OF JUNE 25, 1948 AS AMENDED (28 U.S.C. § 1446). THIS SECTION SHALL NOT ALTER THE JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT TO REVIEW THE FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS OF THE COMMISSION AS SET FORTH IN THE PARAGRAPH BELOW.

O. THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE JURISDICTION TO REVIEW THE FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS OF THE COMMISSION.