LICENSING OF A REGIONAL FACILITY. ANY SUCH PROVISION IN EXISTENCE AT THE TIME OF RATIFICATION OF THIS COMPACT IS HEREBY REPEALED.

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ARTICLE VII. ELIGIBLE PARTIES, WITHDRAWAL, REVOCATION, ENTRY INTO FORCE, TERMINATION

- A. THE INITIALLY ELIGIBLE PARTIES TO THIS COMPACT SHALL BE THE 11 STATES OF CONNECTICUT, DELAWARE, MAINE, MARYLAND, MASSACHUSETTS, NEW HAMPSHIRE, NEW JERSEY, NEW YORK, PENNSYLVANIA, RHODE ISLAND, AND VERMONT. INITIAL ELIGIBILITY WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 1984.
- B. EACH STATE ELIGIBLE TO BECOME A PARTY STATE TO THIS COMPACT SHALL BE DECLARED A PARTY STATE UPON ENACTMENT OF THIS COMPACT INTO LAW BY THE STATE, REPEAL OF ALL STATUTES OR STATUTORY PROVISIONS THAT POSE UNREASONABLE IMPEDIMENTS TO THE CAPABILITY OF THE STATE TO HOST A REGIONAL FACILITY IN A TIMELY MANNER, AND UPON PAYMENT OF THE FEES REQUIRED BY ARTICLE IV(J)(1). AN ELIGIBLE STATE MAY BECOME A PARTY TO THIS COMPACT BY AN EXECUTIVE ORDER BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE AND UPON PAYMENT OF THE FEES REQUIRED BY ARTICLE IV(J)(1). HOWEVER, ANY STATE WHICH BECOMES A PARTY STATE BY EXECUTIVE ORDER SHALL CEASE TO BE A PARTY STATE UPON THE FINAL ADJOURNMENT OF THE NEXT GENERAL OR REGULAR SESSION OF ITS LEGISLATURE, UNLESS THIS COMPACT HAS BY THEN BEEN ENACTED AS A STATUTE BY THE STATE AND ALL STATUTES AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS THAT CONFLICT WITH THE COMPACT HAVE BEEN REPEALED.
- C. THE COMPACT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IN A PARTY STATE UPON ENACTMENT BY THAT STATE. IT SHALL NOT BECOME INITIALLY EFFECTIVE IN THE REGION UNTIL ENACTED INTO LAW BY 3 PARTY STATES AND CONSENT GIVEN TO IT BY THE CONGRESS.
- D. THE FIRST 3 STATES ELIGIBLE TO BECOME PARTY STATES TO THIS COMPACT WHICH ADOPT THIS COMPACT INTO LAW AS REQUIRED IN ARTICLE VII(B) SHALL IMMEDIATELY UPON THE APPOINTMENT OF THEIR COMMISSION MEMBERS, CONSTITUTE THEMSELVES AS THE NORTHEAST INTERSTATE LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE COMMISSION. THEY SHALL CAUSE LEGISLATION TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE CONGRESS WHICH GRANTS THE CONSENT OF THE CONGRESS TO THIS COMPACT, AND SHALL DO THOSE THINGS NECESSARY TO ORGANIZE THE COMMISSION AND IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS COMPACT.
- 1. THE COMMISSION SHALL BE THE JUDGE OF THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE PARTY STATES AND OF ITS MEMBERS AND OF THEIR COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS OF THIS COMPACT AND OF THE LAWS OF THE PARTY STATES RELATING TO THE ENACTMENT OF THIS COMPACT.
- 2. ALL SUCCEEDING STATES ELIGIBLE TO BECOME PARTY STATES TO THIS COMPACT SHALL BE DECLARED PARTY STATES PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION (B) OF THIS ARTICLE.