AUDITED YEARLY BY A CERTIFIED OR LICENSED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT AND THE REPORT OF THE AUDIT SHALL BE INCLUDED IN AND BECOME PART OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION.

ARTICLEXV

MEMBER STATES, EFFECTIVE DATE AND AMENDMENT

A. ANY STATE IS ELIGIBLE TO DECOME A MEMBER STATE.

- B. THE COMPACT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE AND BINDING UPON LEGISLATIVE ENACTMENT OF THE COMPACT INTO LAW BY NO LESS THAN TEN OF THE STATES. THE EFFECTIVE DATE SHALL BE NO EARLIER THAN DECEMBER 1, 2007. THEREAFTER IT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE AND BINDING AS TO ANY OTHER MEMBER STATE UPON ENACTMENT OF THE COMPACT INTO LAW BY THAT STATE. THE GOVERNORS OF NONMEMBER STATES OR THEIR DESIGNEES SHALL BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION ON A NONVOTING BASIS PRIOR TO ADOPTION OF THE COMPACT BY ALL STATES.
- C. THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION MAY PROPOSE AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPACT FOR ENACTMENT BY THE MEMBER STATES. NO AMENDMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE AND BINDING UPON THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION AND THE MEMBER STATES UNLESS AND UNTIL IT IS ENACTED INTO LAW BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT OF THE MEMBER STATES.

ARTICLE XVI

WITHDRAWAL AND DISSOLUTION

A. WITHDRAWAL

- 4. ONCE EFFECTIVE, THE COMPACT SHALL CONTINUE IN FORCE AND REMAIN BINDING UPON EACH AND EVERY MEMBER STATE, PROVIDED THAT A MEMBER STATE MAY WITHDRAW FROM THE COMPACT BY SPECIFICALLY REPEALING THE STATUTE WHICH ENACTED THE COMPACT INTO LAW.
- WITHDRAWAL FROM THIS COMPACT SHALL BE BY THE ENACTMENT OF A STATUTE REPEALING THE SAME, BUT SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL 1 YEAR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SUCH STATUTE AND UNTIL WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE WITHDRAWAL HAS BEEN GIVEN BY THE WITHDRAWING STATE TO THE GOVERNOR OF EACH OTHER MEMBER JURISDICTION.
- 3. THE WITHDRAWING STATE SHALL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION IN WRITING UPON THE INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION REPEALING THIS COMPACT IN THE WITHDRAWING STATE. THE