Antitrust Compliance Policy

**Description:** This policy is designed to minimize the risk of Component violating United States antitrust laws.

**Purpose:** The policy is to comply strictly with all applicable trade regulations and antitrust laws.

**Governing Authorities:** The Membership, Board of Directors and Executive Committee shall abide by the limitations on its authority established by its Articles of Incorporation, Constitution and Bylaws.

**Scope:** Any activity by the Component or Component related actions by Component staff, officers, directors, committees, task forces, members or agents, which would violate these regulations and laws, are unequivocally contrary to Association policy and will not be countenanced by the Component.

**Content:** Implementation of the antitrust compliance policy of the Component shall include, but shall not be limited to the following:

a. Membership, Board of Directors, and Executive Committee meetings shall be conducted pursuant to agenda items; and minutes shall promptly be distributed to attendees.

b. All Component activities and/or discussion shall be avoided which might be construed as tending to:
   1. Raise, lower, or stabilize prices
   2. Regulate the provisions of services or their costs
   3. Allocate markets
   4. Encourage boycotts
   5. Foster unfair trade practices
   6. Assist in promoting monopolization; and/or
   7. In any way violate applicable trade regulations and anti-trust laws

c. It is imperative that the Component's directors, officers, staff and members focus on avoiding any discussion that may have unintended implications. In the event that any questions or concerns arise during a Component meeting or other activity, immediately cease any discussion or activity.

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