

**Figure 3**  
**Authorizing Competitive Entry: Who Did What, When?**

	Wholesale			Retail		
	Body	Action	Date	Body	Action	Date
Electricity	Congress	PURPA	1978	State legislatures	Various statutes	app. 1996-2000
	Congress	EPAct	1992	NY PSC, NH PUC	Orders	1996
	FERC	Orders 888, 889	1996			
Gas	FERC	Order 436	1985	State legislatures	Various statutes	app. 1996-2000
	FERC	Order 636	1992			
	Long Distance			Local Exchange Service		
	Body	Action	Date	Body	Action	Date
Telecommunications	FCC	<i>Specialized Carrier</i> decisions (interstate long distance)	1970s	FCC	Decisions in <i>IBM</i> , 59 Rad. Reg. 2d (P&F) 964 (1986) and <i>Shared Tenant Services</i> , 3 FCC Rcd 6931 (1988) (requiring ILECs to permit interconnection of non-ILEC-owned shared switches to the local network)	mid-1980s
	States	Some legislatures and commissions authorized entry for intrastate service. See, e.g., <i>Saco River Communications</i> , 499 A.2d 458 (Me. 1985)	late 1970s-early 1980s	States	Some legislatures and commissions authorized local competition.	pre-1996
	U.S. DoJ/ U.S. Dist. Ct.	Antitrust breakup of AT&T	1984			
	Congress	Telecommunications Act (e.g., 47 U.S.C. § 251)	1996	Congress	Telecommunications Act (e.g., 47 U.S.C. § 253)	1996