EXECUTIVE ORDER
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TO: HEADS OF ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES AND AUTHORITIES, AND ALL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND GOVERNMENTAL UNITS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

RE: TERMINATION OF DROUGHT WARNING AND OTHER RELATED ACTION

WHEREAS, on November 6, 1995, by issuance of Executive Order Thirty-Eight, I terminated the previously declared drought emergency for northern New Castle County due to improved water supply conditions; and

WHEREAS, although the drought emergency had been alleviated, a serious residual deficiency in water supplies existed at that time; and

WHEREAS, since a full recovery from a drought as serious as Delaware experienced might require some time and further water conservation measures, a drought warning was maintained as a necessary precautionary measure; and

WHEREAS, water supply conditions have continued to improve in the intervening time to the extent that water supply storage has been fully restored and water supply systems are operating normally; and
WHEREAS, in light of this recovery and the current conditions, it is no longer necessary to continue the drought warning.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas R. Carper, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby declare and order as follows:

1. This Executive Order shall terminate the drought warning previously declared for northern New Castle County.

2. All state agencies are reminded and encouraged to continue to become aware of and employ best management practices for water conservation in agency facilities.

3. All residents statewide are likewise reminded and encouraged to practice sound water conservation techniques in the interest of avoiding unnecessary water usage.

4. Residents and businesses affected by the recent drought are hereby commended for their efforts to reduce and control water demand, which were critical to the effective management of water supplies during the drought.

Approved this 9th day of February 1996.

[Signature]
Governor

Attest:
[Signature]
Secretary of State