EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER SIXTY-EIGHT

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

RE: TERMINATION OF DROUGHT WARNING AND OTHER RELATED ACTION.

WHEREAS, due to improved water supply, I issued Executive Order Number Sixty-Six on September 8, 1999, terminating the previously declared drought emergency for northern New Castle County and declaring a drought warning;

WHEREAS, although the improved water supply alleviated the drought conditions to some extent, voluntary conservation measures were still necessary and therefore a drought warning urging continued conservation measures was ordered;

WHEREAS, September 16, 1999, Delaware received record rainfalls with six (6) to ten (10) inches of precipitation as a result of Hurricane Floyd;
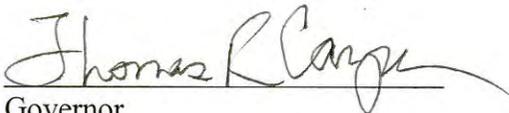
WHEREAS, as a result of Hurricane Floyd, stream flows may now have reached record levels; and

WHEREAS, water supply conditions have now improved to the point that a drought warning is no longer necessary.

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 the State of Delaware pursuant to Executive Order Number Sixty-Six.

2. All state agencies are encouraged to employ best management practices for water conservation in agency facilities.

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

4. The citizens of Delaware are to be commended for the significant reductions in water demand achieved during the drought emergency -- such efforts were critical to the effective management of water supplies.

5. The provisions of this order shall be effective Friday, September 17, 1999 at 10:30 a.m.

Approved this 17th day of September 1999.

Thomas R Carper
Governor

Attest:

Edward Freel
Secretary of State