

STATE OF DELAWARE



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER Twenty-One

TO: HEADS OF ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES
RE: ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GOVERNOR'S HIGH TECHNOLOGY TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, high technology accounted for more than 75% of the net growth in national manufacturing employment over the past 20 years and represents one of the major growth sectors of the American economy; and

WHEREAS, the future of Delaware's economy is intimately intertwined with that of high technology, as demonstrated by the fact that 14.8% of the State's total employment is in high technology jobs, the highest such percentage in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Delaware's future prosperity depends upon our continuing sensitivity to the critical role of technological innovation in the State's social and economic development; and

WHEREAS, enhancing high technology industries in Delaware requires close cooperation among government, business, labor and academia;

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

1. The Governor's High Technology Task Force is hereby established.

2. The membership of the High Technology Task Force shall be appointed by the Governor and shall be broadly representative of the academic, business and labor communities as well as of government.

3. Lieutenant Governor S.B. Woo shall serve as Chairman of the Task Force. The Chairman shall preside over the meetings and affairs of the Task Force and shall designate such committees as he deems appropriate to carry out its functions.

4. The purpose of the High Technology Task Force shall be to establish goals and recommend strategies for Delaware to create new wealth and new jobs, particularly in tune with the growing high technology sector of the economy, and to enhance existing wealth and jobs in today's fast-changing, technologically-oriented society. An essential objective of the Task Force shall be to marshal the State's economic and political forces in order to achieve the Task Force's goals.

5. The Task Force shall submit its final report to the Governor and the General Assembly not later than December 31, 1987. In its discretion, the Task Force may submit recommendations prior to this deadline if it believes that timely implementation is advisable.

APPROVED this ^{2nd} day of
January, 1986.



Governor

ATTEST:



Secretary of State

