EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER: SEVENTY-FIVE

TO: HEADS OF ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

RE: DELAWARE STATE CLEARINGHOUSE/INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVIEW OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, the established procedures (OMB Circular A-95) under the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act of 1968 (P.L. 90-577), have been replaced by Presidential Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs", which provides State and local governments a better opportunity to influence federal decisions, and require certain applicants for federal funds to notify the Governor, through the State Clearinghouse, of their intent to apply for federal funds; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the State for agencies and jurisdictions to have the opportunity to review and comment on projects, in order to maximize the achievement of goals and objectives and minimize program duplication; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware State Clearinghouse Committee for Federal Aid Coordination has been established by the General Assembly for the purpose of reviewing requests for federal funds coming from State agencies and from non-State agencies whose projects impact State expenditures; and
WHEREAS, the Delaware General Assembly has given the Legislative Standing Committees an opportunity to review requests for federal funds from State agencies and from non-State agencies whose projects impact State expenditures; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that these functions operate together to insure a coordinated review of federal dollar requests coming from Delaware.

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

1. The Office of the Budget is designated as the State Clearinghouse and Delaware’s “Single Point of Contact” (SPOC) to comply with the provisions of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act and Presidential Executive Order 12372 and its associated rules. The Director of the Office of the Budget is hereby designated as the State official empowered to transmit comments on behalf of the State.

2. The SPOC shall adopt and publish rules and regulations and procedures as it deems necessary to carry out the intent of the Act and of the Presidential Executive Order and any applicable State Laws, policies or Executive Orders.

3. To the maximum extent possible, all agencies shall make application to the SPOC at least 60 days prior to the federal deadline for submission. Projects and plans and amendments thereof that require the Governor’s signature prior to submission to the federal agency must complete the SPOC’s processes before the project or plan is presented to the Governor. The Governor’s signature will be secured by the SPOC ONLY. Amendments to State Plans must also receive comments from the Budget Director.

4. The SPOC shall promptly notify interested agencies and jurisdictions of its receipt of applications for federal funds and shall periodically notify the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, members of the General Assembly and State agencies of grant awards made by the Federal Government.

APPROVED this 30th day of August, 1989.

(Handwritten Signature)
Governor

ATTEST:

(Handwritten Signature)
Secretary of State