

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER THIRTY-SEVEN

RE: TERMINATING DROUGHT WARNING

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2002, I issued Executive Order No. 29, declaring a statewide drought warning, pursuant to Title 20, Delaware Code, Section 3116, restricting certain non-essential uses of water by State agencies, and further recommending voluntary conservation measures to preserve limited water supply, and

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2002, due to the continued severity of dry conditions, I issued Executive Order No. 32, declaring a state of emergency and mandating water conservation measures for northern New Castle County; and

WHEREAS, on October 11, 2002, I issued Executive Order No. 34, terminating the previously-declared state of emergency in northern New Castle County, and discontinuing mandatory water conservation measures; and

WHEREAS, precipitation in the State of Delaware has been significantly above normal for the months of October, November, and December; and

WHEREAS, resulting stream flows and ground water levels are now at normal to above normal levels; and

WHEREAS, the Drought Advisory Committee has unanimously recommended that the drought warning be rescinded,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RUTH ANN MINNER, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of Delaware, DO HEREBY DECLARE AND ORDER on this 27th day of January, 2003:

- 1. The drought warning implemented by Executive Order No. 29, is terminated, effective immediately.
- 2. Citizens of the State are encouraged to continue to maintain sound and practical water conservation measures, and are commended for their efforts to reduce and control water demand during the recent drought.



Governor

Attest:

Garriet Smith Hindson Secretary of State