EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER TWELVE

TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

RE: Energy Conservation

WHEREAS, the State of Delaware is faced with a severe financial situation and all measures must be taken to conserve and prevent unnecessary expenditures of funds; and,

WHEREAS, this State and the Nation is faced with a potential energy crisis; and,

WHEREAS, such a crisis could have an adverse effect upon the health, welfare and economy of the citizens of the State; and,

WHEREAS, the general public properly expects the government to set an example in practice as well as policy in combating the monetary and energy problems of the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHERMAN W. TRIBBITT, by the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby declare and order as follows:

1. Effective this date and until terminated by notice from this office, all state agencies, departments and offices are directed to utilize air conditioning systems at a level consistent with maintenance of good health and working efficiency of the occupants and all such equipment, as well as the power switches on all other electrically powered equipment when not actually in use shall be turned off, unless technical instructions recommend against such procedure, in facilities which are unoccupied on weekends or holidays and between the hours of 5:00 P.M. and 8:00 A.M. each working day. Health care facilities such as hospitals and homes for the aged or infirm, are exempt from this restriction; however, it should be applied where practicable in purely administrative areas of such facilities. During the working day, doors to unused rooms should be closed.

2. Supervisors at all levels will make special emphasis to insure compliance with this order.

3. All employees are encouraged to practice similar conservation measures in their individual homes.

4. The Secretary, Department of Administrative Services,
shall develop the necessary technical instructions for implementing this order in all State facilities.

APPROVED this 12th day of June, 1973

[Signature]
Governor

ATTEST:

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Secretary of State