

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER THIRTY-NINE

TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

RE: Establishment of the Governor's Port of Wilmington Study Committee

WHEREAS, a modern port facility is vital to the economy of the State of Delaware and it is the duty and responsibility of the State to assure labor and commerce an efficient and competitive water transportation system; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Wilmington represents a valuable asset to all of Delaware and the City of Wilmington no longer has the financial ability to support the capital projects necessary to keep the Port viable or expand its potential; and

WHEREAS, possible future expansion of the Port of Wilmington may benefit the entire State of Delaware in increased employment and economic development; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that the future of the Port of Wilmington be comprehensively studied by representatives of the State of Delaware, the County of New Castle and the City of Wilmington, as well as representatives of labor, business and the private sector;

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

- 1. There is hereby established the Governor's "Port of Wilmington Study Committee."
- 2. The Committee shall consist of nine (9) members as follows:
  - A. The Governor, or his designee
  - B. The New Castle County Executive, or his designee
  - C. The Mayor of the City of Wilmington, or his designee
  - D. A member of the Senate of the State of Delaware
  - E. A member of the House of Representatives of the State of Delaware

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- F. A representative of business
- G. A representative of labor
- H. Two members of the general public
- 3. Those members other than the New Castle County Executive and the Mayor of Wilmington, or their designees, shall be appointed by the Governor.
- 4. The Governor shall select from among the members of the Committee a Chairman, who shall serve at his pleasure.
- 5. The Committee shall review, study and analyze the overall economic impact of the Port on the City of Wilmington and the State of Delaware and provide recommendations for its future development and management.
- 6. The Committee may request and shall receive from any department, division or agency of the State of Delaware such reasonable assistance and data as will enable it to properly carry out its assignment hereunder.
- 7. The Committee shall submit its final report with its findings and recommendations to the Governor just as soon as practical, but in no event later than July 1, 1974. The Committee may submit interim reports to the Governor as it deems necessary or desirable.

APPROVED this 5th day of February, 1974

Governor

ATTEST:

Secretary of State