

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT DOVER

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER EIGHTY-ONE

TO: HEADS OF All State Departments and Agencies

RE: Establishment of an Emergency Medical Services

Communications Network

WHEREAS, there is a need for the development of a total Emergency Medical Services Communications Network for the State, and,

WHEREAS, there is a need for the designation of a State Agency to be responsible for the coordination, planning, implementation and administration of the various communications functions which are necessary to insure a viable and effective Emergency Medical Services Communications Network in conformance with the applicable state and federal standards and laws;

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. The Communications Section of the Department of Public Safety is hereby designated as the State Agency responsible for the coordination, planning, implementation, and administration of the Emergency Medical Service Communications Network of this State.
- 2. The Chief of the Communications Section shall have the following duties, powers and responsibilities:
 - (1) To develop, coordinate, publish, and administer a comprehensive plan for a statewide Emergency Medical Services Communications Network.
 - (2) To advise and coordinate the Emergency
 Medical Services Communications Network
 activities of the various State, County, City
 and private agencies to insure that the systems
 or methods to be used will meet the requirements
 of the State plan.

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- (3) To apply for, receive, and hold, or, if appropriate, assist agencies in applying for, receiving, or holding such authorizations, licenses, and allocations of channels and frequencies as are necessary to the purposes of the Emergency Medical Services Communications Network.
- (4) To standardize policies and procedures for the use of the Emergency Medical Services Communications Network.
- (5) To enter into agreements for the rendering of mutual aid between State government and its political subdivisions and to cooperate with other states and the federal government with respect to the use of the Emergency Medical Services Communications Network during emergencies.
- To apply for and receive appropriations, (6) grants, gifts, contributions, property and equipment from public or private sources to be utilized in providing Emergency Medical Services Communications Network services, and to participate with the federal government in carrying out programs for Emergency Medical Services Communications Network services within the State and through the State to any political subdivision thereof, Emergency Medical Services Communications Network services, equipment, supplies, materials, or funds by way of appropriation, grant, gift or loan for the purposes of Emergency Medical Services Communications Network objectives, and subject to the terms of the offer and rules and regulations of the offering agency.
- 3. The Communications Section shall solicit advice and counsel from the Office of Emergency Health Services, Division of Public Health, and the Governor's Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council, as well as the Interim Comprehensive Health Planning Council, on general policy and functional requirements for the Emergency Medical Services Communications Network, but shall have final decision authority regarding the technical

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aspects of the Emergency Medical Services Communications Network.

APPROVED This

Governor

ATTEST:

Secretary of State