

STATE OF DELAWARE



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER NINE

TO: HEADS OF ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS

RE: THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GOVERNOR'S ENERGY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the energy supply and availability is essential to the health, safety, and welfare of the people of this State as well as the fiscal integrity of the State, and it is the responsibility of the State government to ensure a reliable supply of energy for these purposes; and

WHEREAS, Delaware is in the unfortunate position of being totally reliant on external sources of energy and thus at the mercy of future energy shortages and escalating fuel prices; and

WHEREAS, the increased level of demand for energy coupled with continued wasteful consumption patterns will result in serious energy shortages; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State and the intent of the Executive Branch to implement a state-wide energy resources management program.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pierre S. du Pont, IV, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby declare and order as follows:

1. The abolition of the Delaware Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission which was created by Executive Order Number 106 on August 6, 1976.

2. The creation of the Governor's Energy Resources Management Commission. This Commission shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Governor and shall consider matters relating to the following areas of responsibility:

(a) recommendations on the proper governmental structure to coordinate energy resources management for the State of Delaware.

(b) review of historical energy supply and consumption patterns in the State by subject classes such as: industrial, commercial, residential and governmental.

(c) develop energy supply and demand forecasts for future energy consumption within the State.

(d) development of a State Conservation Plan.

(e) development of contingency plans for use in energy shortages.

(f) development of educational curriculum for energy resource management.

(g) any other energy policy issues identified by the Governor.

3. The Governor's Energy Resource Management Commission shall be comprised of twenty-one members. The members of the Commission shall be appointed and serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

4. The Chairman of the Commission shall be designated by the Governor from among the members and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

5. The Governor's Assistant of Energy Affairs will be the principle staff contact with the Commission and will be responsible to assure that additional staff support be provided to the Commission by other State agencies to fulfill the requirements of this Executive Order.

APPROVED this 9th day of March, 1977.



Rui S. P. P.
Governor

ATTEST:

H. C. H.
Secretary of State