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AN ORDER ESTABLISHING A GOVERNMENT OPERATION ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, recent shortages of natural gas and disruptions of coal supply demonstrate the necessity of strong conservation programs to lessen dependence on non-renewable fossil fuels.

WHEREAS, a need still exists for energy conservation in the State of Maine and State government.

WHEREAS, energy conservation has proved to be an effective mechanism for minimizing energy costs to State government.

WHEREAS, each Department, Bureau, Division and Agency in State government must share the responsibility for implementing all possible energy conservation measures.

WHEREAS, directives under Executive Order Number 9, FY75/76 entitled "An Order Establishing A Government Operation Energy Conservation Program" dated January 27, 1976 need re-emphasis.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES B. LONGLEY, Governor of the State of Maine, hereby instruct all State government department heads to re-activate their energy conservation efforts to the maximum degree possible. In addition, Each Department head will be responsible for a conservation program to curb necessary consumption as well as assign an individual or individuals to coordinate energy conservation efforts between that Department and the Office of Energy Resources. Implementation of the criteria set forth in the attached "State Agency Energy Conservation Plan," developed by the Office of Energy Resources, shall be mandatory. I have directed that the Office of Energy Resources be the lead agency in promoting the energy conservation effort. I have further directed the Office of Energy Resources to establish an energy consumption monitoring program for the purpose of tracking energy use by all State agencies. The Bureau of Public Improvements and the Department of Transportation or any other agency deemed appropriate shall render support and assistance to the Office of Energy Resources as required. The provisions of this Order shall be immediately effective and all departments and agencies shall diligently endeavor to fulfill their responsibilities as expeditiously as possible.

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