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OFFICE OF  
THE GOVERNOR

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An Order Establishing Phase II  
of the State Government Operation Energy  
Conservation Program

Whereas, apparently substantial shortages of petroleum supplies necessitate a concerted effort to minimize consumption of energy and to make its use more efficient; and,

Whereas, state government can save significant amounts of fuel and electricity in its own operations and should serve as an example for other users of energy in the state; and,

Whereas, by memorandum dated November 19, 1973, I requested all agencies of state government to adopt a Phase I Government Operations Conservation Program which included a number of energy saving procedures; and,

Whereas, recommendations by the Interagency Committee on Energy Shortage suggest additions to that program should be made.

Now, therefore, I, Kenneth M. Curtis, Governor of the State of Maine, hereby establish Phase II of the Government Operations Energy Conservation Program and order as follows:

1. Car Pooling. Each agency and department head shall use every means to encourage car pooling by employees under his supervision and shall take all reasonable steps to assist in arranging car pools by such employees. The Department of Transportation in consultation with other appropriate state agencies shall prepare legislation necessary to remove unnecessary state regulatory impediments to car pooling for submission to the first special session of the 106th Legislature and the Department shall investigate techniques for centralized coordination and administration of a state government car pooling program, by computer or otherwise. The Bureau of Public Improvements shall arrange reserved parking spaces for car pools serving three or more state employees.

2. Storm Windows. The Bureau of Public Improvements shall equip windows in the State Office Building and at other locations with storm windows wherever it shall appear such action will prevent significant heat loss or drafts.

3. Official Travel. Each department and agency shall reduce official in-state automobile travel by 10% and official out-of-state automobile and airplane travel by 50%, from levels of travel in the equivalent period of calendar year 1973, except in those instances where agency or departmental functions require otherwise.

4. Conservation Information. The Bureau of Civil Defense shall expand its energy conservation information activities to include a special effort to inform state employees of energy saving possibilities both at work and at home.

5. Mass Transit Development. The Department of Transportation shall intensify its study of mass transit opportunities available to reduce the amount of fuel required for the transport of people in Maine.

The provisions of this order shall be immediately effective and all departments and agencies shall diligently endeavor to fulfill their responsibilities as promptly as possible.

  
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Kenneth M. Curtis, Governor