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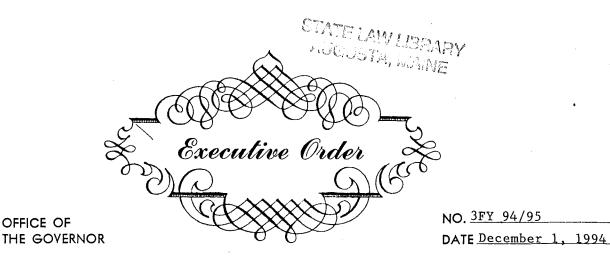
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AN ORDER ESTABLISHING THE MAINE RAIL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act and the Maine Sensible Transportation Policy Act stress use of alternative forms of transportation; and

WHEREAS, railroads are an under-utilized mode of transportation in the State of Maine; and

WHEREAS, increased use of the rail mode in Maine will aid in decreasing congestion, fuel consumption, and air emissions; and

WHEREAS, enhanced use of the rail mode requires public/private partnership involving shippers, railroads, State Government and others;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. McKernan, Jr., Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby establish The Maine Rail Policy Advisory Committee.

Membership

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Members of the Committee shall represent governments and their diverse interest groups, the railroad industry, the shipping community, and shall include individuals from other interested stakeholders.

The Committee shall consist of 14 members as follows:

- The Commissioner of the Department 1. of Transportation or the Commissioner's designee;
- The Director of the State Planning 2. Office or the Director's designee;

- 3. The Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development or the Commissioner's designee;
- 4. The Commissioner of the Department of Conservation or the Commissioner's designee;
- 5. Two members representing freight railroads operating in Maine;
- 6. Two members representing passenger railroads operating in Maine;
- 7. Three members representing industries who ship or receive products by rail;
- One member representing municipal government;
- 9. Two members of the general public representing rail passenger and trail interests.

Officers

The Commissioner of the Department of Transportation or the Commissioner's designee shall serve as the Chairman of the Maine Rail Policy Advisory Committee.

Terms of Members

All members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

Administration

The Department of Transportation shall provide staff support to the Committee.

<u>Purpose</u>

The Committee shall be a forum for considering trends and developments in the transportation arena and for developing State policy and objectives to improve and enhance the economics and efficiencies of rail transportation, and use thereof by shippers and citizens of the State.

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<u>Funding</u>

Members of the Committee shall serve without compensation. Funding for Committee activities shall be absorbed by the agencies and organizations involved.

Effective Date

The effective date of this Executive Order is December 1, 1994.

John R. McKernan, Jr Governor