

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 83-41

ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON ENERGY POLICY COORDINATION

I, RUDY PERPICH, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, Minnesota's economy is damaged by the inefficient use of energy which results in a massive dollar drain, and which causes unemployment and weakens the State's economy; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota has a variety of indigenous resources which, if cost-effectively developed into beneficial forms of alternative energy, could promote employment and reduce the energy dollar drain; and

WHEREAS, it is in Minnesota's interests to develop State policies and programs which promote energy efficiency, and to influence federal energy regulatory policies; and

WHEREAS, the responsibility for the development and implementation of energy policy in Minnesota and intervention before federal energy regulatory bodies is shared among at least ten State departments; and

WHEREAS, it is difficult to effectively coordinate energy programs or policies among State departments, or to coordinate intervention activities through the Energy Issues Intervention Office, without guidance from the commissioners of the departments responsible for various energy-related activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I order:

- 1. The Minnesota Energy Policy Coordination Committee is hereby created.
- 2. The Committee shall coordinate the development and implementation of energy policies and programs within State government which require inter-agency cooperation.
- 3. The Committee shall consist of the following members: the Commissioner of Administration, the Commissioner of Energy and Economic Development, the Deputy Commissioner of Energy, the Commissioner of Finance, the Director of the State Planning Agency, the Executive Director of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Commissioner of Natural Resources, the Director of the Pollution Control Agency, the Chair of the Public Utilities Commission, and the Director of the Department of Public Service.
- 4. The Energy Policy Coordination Committee shall be chaired by the Commissioner of Energy and Economic Development.
- 5. The Energy Policy Coordination Committee shall meet no less than once each quarter, and may meet more frequently, at the call of the Chair.

6. The Committee shall advise the Governor on matters related to the development and coordination of energy policies and programs among the various state departments represented on the Committee. The Committee is to act as a clearing house for information, and to facilitate delivery of energy programs and services. The Committee shall also advise the Director of the Department of Public Service on activities with respect to the policies of the Energy Issues Intervention Office.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1982, Section 4.035, this Order shall be effective 15 days after publication in the State Register and filing with the Secretary of State and shall remain in effect until it is rescinded by proper authority or it expires in accordance with Section 4.035, Subdivision 3.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this day of October, 1983.

RUDY PERPICH Governor

Filed According to Law:

JOAN ANDERSON GROWE Secretary of State

STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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