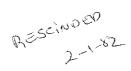
STATE OF MONTANA

Office of the Governor EXECUTIVE ORDER 4-76



Executive Order creating the Montana Energy Advisory Council within the Office of the Governor specifying its purposes, responsibilities and membership.

I, Thomas L. Judge, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me and in response to the obligations imposed by House Bill 453 of 1975, hereby create the Montana Energy Advisory Council this 25th day of May, 1976.

I. Purpose

The purposes of the Council shall be:

- A. To assist the Governor and Other public officials in developing and implementing a process and outline for a Montana
 energy policy. This process and outline shall address:
 - 1. Alternative futures for energy production and use in the State of Montana, within the context of regional, national and international decisions and actions, with special emphasis on the study of the potential for a coal gasification plant in Montana to offset recently announced Canadian reductions in natural gas exports to Montana.
 - 2. The development of an internally consistent and comprehensive energy conservation and use policy for state government operations.
 - 3. The development of a framework for shaping and responding to federal energy development policies and operations (e.g., nomination of areas where expanded federal coal leasing will be considered acceptable or unacceptable) in a manner consistent with state statutes and policy.
- B. To provide for the discussion and formulation of legislation
 to implement state energy policies and other energy-related
 matters.

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C. To coordinate state agency energy-related activities by providing a forum and mechanism for:

- The shaping of state energy policy and programs in relation to state agency resource and responsibilities.
- 2. The discussion of state agency programs as they relate to energy policy and programs.
- The determination of state agency needs engendered by state energy policy and programs.
- Aiding state agencies in the utilization of relevant energy research results.
- D. To coordinate state energy research programs by:
 - 1. Identifying and defining research needs and priorities.
 - Determining the proper locus of state-supported energy research.
 - Encouraging the preparation of research proposals in response to identified state needs.
 - Supporting needed research efforts by searching out sources of funding.
 - Serving as an interface between research organizations and programs and state agencies.
- E. To act as a state clearinghouse for and disseminator of relevant energy policy and research papers and other materials for the public, state agencies and other groups.
- F. To coordinate Montana's participation in federal, regional and multi-state agencies and multi-state energy-related programs.

II. Composition

The Council shall be comprised of representatives from the Office of the Governor; the Office of the Lieutenant Governor; the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction; the Environmental Quality Council; the Public Service Commission; the Montana University

System; and the Departments of Agriculture, Fish and Game, Health and Environmental Sciences, Highways, Community Affairs, Justice, Labor and Industry, Military Affairs, Natural Resources and Conservation, Revenue, Social and Rehabilitation Services, and State Lands.

The Council shall be chaired by Lt. Governor Christiansen. The names and addresses of Council members serving at the pleasure of the Governor are:

- A.C. Knight, Acting Director
 Department of Health and Environmental Sciences
- Gordon Bollinger, Chairman Public Service Commission
- Jim Flynn, Director to could place 3478 occidence of Governor's Office of Commerce Pank Cana 2476
- Donald Chisholm, Administrator
 Oil & Gas Conservation Division
 Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
- Patrick Melby, Acting Director
 Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services
- Carlyn Gilbertson, Director Civil Defense Division Department of Military Affairs
- 2/5 W. A. Groff, Director Department of Revenue
- George Lackman, Commissioner
 Department of Agriculture
- Michael Lavin, Administrator Crime Control Division Department of Justice
- Judith H. Carlson, Director Department of Community Affairs
- John Reuss, Executive Director Environmental Quality Council
- Leo Berry, Acting Commissioner Department of State Lands
 - Sidney T. Smith, Commissioner
 Department of Labor and Industry
- Cary Wicks, Director
 Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
- 283 Wesley Woodgerd, Director Department of Fish and Game
- Dolores Colburg, Superintendent of Public Instruction Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction
- Lawrence Pettit, Commissioner of Higher Education University System

Each participating department shall provide the equivalent of one full-time person, as necessary to the workings of the Council. The Council staff shall be organized into two standing teams: A Natural Resources Team, comprising working representatives from the natural resource agencies, and a Human Resources Team, comprising working representatives of the human resource agencies. In addition, ad hoc working teams will be created as the need arises. Administrative matters of the Council program shall be the responsibilities of:

- A. Program Administrator
- B. Human Resources Team Coordinator
- C. Natural Resources Team Coordinator
- D. Research Coordinator

As ad hoc teams are formed, coordinators for those teams will be chosen from either the administrators above or from working representatives of the Council, as need dictates.

The Chairman of the Council, the appropriate department director and the staff of the Council shall designate working delegates to the Council. Delegates chosen should be accessible to the administrative leadership of each department and should be capable of representing and explaining the activities of their parent departments in MEAC activities. In addition, the delegates should be in a position to keep the director and administrative structure of their parent department abreast of MEAC activities.

This council shall exist until May 25, 1978.

Dated this twenty-fifth day of May, 1976.

Given under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana this twenty-fifth day of May, in the year of our LORD, One Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-Six.

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ATTESTED:

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FRANK MURRAY, Secretary of State

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