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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Improving Energy Efficiency

WHEREAS, the Utah Energy Efficiency Policy is designed to increase energy efficiency in the State of Utah;

WHEREAS, this policy is designed to promote improved energy efficiency in State facilities and encourages collaboration and support of private-sector initiatives;

WHEREAS, the policy sets forth a goal to increase energy efficiency by 20% by 2015;

WHEREAS, peak demand in the State is growing more rapidly than the need for base load electricity;

WHEREAS, the State purchases approximately \$60 million in electricity each year; and

WHEREAS, the State may pay more for electricity use in the summer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jon M. Huntsman, Jr., Governor of the State of Utah,

1. Direct State employees to sign up for and heed PowerForward email alerts and adopt an ethic of energy conservation through simple electricity-saving measures in the workplace and at home. Examples of such measures include:

- * Replacing incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent ("CFL") bulbs
- * Setting air conditioning thermostats to a higher temperature setting
- * Using dimmers, motion sensors, or timing devices on appropriate light fixtures
- * Using "energy-saving" settings on all appliances
- * Running dishwashers and laundry equipment only when fully loaded

2. Order State facilities managers to adopt practical conservation practices and procedures. Examples of such measures might include:

- * Adjusting building temperatures

* Significantly reducing building power usage during non-traditional work hours (as practicable for individual agency function)

* Replacing incandescent light bulbs with CFL fixtures

3. Request that the Department of Environmental Quality, in conjunction with the electric utilities within the State, continue to provide simple and timely conservation alerts for the citizens and businesses of Utah to help maintain affordable electricity rates and ensure system reliability.

4. Require all cabinet members to submit annual reports to the Department of Environmental Quality regarding actions taken in response to PowerForward alerts, and regarding all efforts to achieve the State's 2015 energy efficiency goals.

5. Direct the Department of Environmental Quality to prepare for the Governor's review a comprehensive annual report regarding the functioning of and responses to PowerForward within each State agency, and regarding each agency's efforts to achieve the State's 2015 energy efficiency goals.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Utah. Done in Salt Lake City, Utah, this 30th day of May 2006.

(State Seal)

Jon M. Huntsman, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST:

Gary R. Herbert
Lieutenant Governor

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