

EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, shortages of fuel and energy have already affected many thousands of Texas citizens; and

WHEREAS, almost one out of every ten Texans is directly dependent on the energy industries for his livelihood; and

WHEREAS, a significant portion of revenue for the operation of state government is derived from the energy industries; and

WHEREAS, Texas supplies approximately 25% of all the energy needs of the nation; and

WHEREAS, the production of energy is vital to the economic health and continuation of the standard of living of all citizens of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Senate of the 63rd Legislature of the State of Texas has requested the creation of a council to assist the Governor in avoiding a potential energy crisis and to make recommendations for coordinating the state's approach to energy related problems;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DOLPH BRISCOE, Governor of Texas, by Executive Order, do hereby establish the Governor's Energy Advisory Council and I appoint the Lieutenant Governor to be Chairman of the Council and my Executive Assistant to be Vice-Chairman. I hereby appoint the following to be the permanent members of the Governor's Energy Advisory Council:

Chairman of the Texas Offshore Terminal Commission
Chairman of the Texas Aeronautics Commission
Commissioner of the General Land Office
Chairman of the State Board of Control

Texas Member of the Southern Interstate Nuclear Board
Chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission
Chairman of the Texas Air Control Board
Chairman of the Texas Mass Transportation Commission
Chairman of the Texas Highway Department
Chairman of the Texas Industrial Commission
Director of the Governor's Division of Planning
Coordination
A representative of the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and
Gas Association
A representative of the Texas Independent Producers
and Royalty Owners Association
A representative of the Pipeline Industry
A representative of the Electric Utility Industry
A representative of the Environmental Sciences
A representative of Labor and Small Users
A representative of the Universities
A representative of Economics and Finance
A representative of the Nuclear Industry
A representative of Large Energy Users
A representative of Public Health
A representative of the Natural Gas Industry
A representative of the Petroleum Industry

I ask each member to personally participate fully and to assist the Council in all its actions utilizing all the available resources of his respective organization. I shall appoint additional advisory or resource members as necessary.

I hereby charge the Energy Advisory Council with the primary goal of recommending to me a state energy policy which will draw together the policy making activities of the public and private sectors of the State. Such a policy should provide economic, environmental, and social parameters for energy resources uses in Texas. I will appoint the representatives of the industries and public in the near future and at an early meeting of the Council, I will issue a detailed charge which will further define the role and scope of authority of the Council.

I hereby direct the Division of Planning Coordination in the Governor's Office to provide all necessary staffing assistance to the Council and to coordinate staff support from all other sources.

The Council will report its findings, recommendations and conclusions to me and make such interim reports as may be requested in the subsequent charge.

This Executive Order shall be effective immediately and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded by me.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND this 10th day of May, 1973.

Dolph Briscoe
Governor of Texas