

The Governor

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Executive Orders

AWR 93-6

ESTABLISHING THE TEXAS SUSTAINABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Texas has historically relied almost exclusively upon non-renewable fossil fuel resources as its primary energy supply; and

WHEREAS, Texas faces an era of competitiveness in the coming century that will require development of diverse renewable and non-renewable energy sources that are clean, affordable, and efficient; and

WHEREAS, Texas has abundant, largely untapped supplies of renewable and efficiency resources for providing energy to fuel its economic growth; and

WHEREAS, exploration of the feasibility, efficacy, and power of renewable energy resources will help Texas prepare for future energy challenges in a manner that optimizes the protection of our environment while maintaining energy self-sufficiency and enhancing competitiveness; and

WHEREAS, the formation of a new sustainable energy industry in Texas will place our State in the forefront of energy innovation nationwide and will provide a lasting legacy for our States's residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ann W. Richards, Governor of the State of Texas, by virtue of the power vested in me, do hereby establish the Texas Sustainable Energy Development Council, hereinafter referred to as the Council.

I. Organization

A. The Council is to be composed of representatives of the Governor's Office, Texas Air Control Board or its successor agency, Comptroller's Office, Department of Commerce, General Land Office, Public Utilities Commission, Railroad Commission, Water Development Board, businesses, utilities, educators, consumer advocates, and environmental groups.

B. The Governor shall designate two co-chairpersons, who shall serve at the direction of the Governor.

C. The Council will meet at the call of the co-chairpersons.

II. Purpose

The Council will develop a strategic plan to ensure the optimum utilization of Texas' renewable and efficiency resource base. In developing such a plan, the Council will:

A. Conduct resource studies of the renewable and efficiency resource base;

B. Model how these resources interact with each other and with the existing energy production and consumption infrastructure;

C. Assess renewable energy technologies and their costs;

D. Apply these costs in cost/benefit analyses;

E. Integrate these models, assessments, and analyses into a strategic plan so that realistic goals and timetables for the utilization of these resources can be established;

F. Coordinate demonstration projects and other sustainable energy activities on public lands; and

G. Develop the structure and strategy necessary to secure federal funds for sustainable energy development.

This executive order shall be effective immediately and shall remain in full force and effect until modified, amended, or rescinded by me.

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Ann W. Richards
Governor of
Texas

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ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE ON EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS

WHEREAS, the increasingly competitive and interdependent global economy is placing in jeopardy our nation's and our state's status as high wage economies;

WHEREAS, the survival and growth of our industries will depend upon their ability improve productivity continually through the use of new