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RICHARD D. LAMM Governor

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

CANCER CONTROL AND RESEARCH PANEL

- WHEREAS, Colorado cancer incidence studies indicate dramatic and potentially serious trends; and
- WHEREAS, as an energy-impact area, Colorado is presently concerned with cancer/environmental issues resulting from several decades of activity while, at the same time, looking at extensive future energy development; and
- WHEREAS, the National Cancer Institute estimates that 80% of human cancers are environmentally induced; and
- WHEREAS, the rapidly emerging identity of Colorado as an energyimpact area affects all Coloradans from many health standpoints, particularly those of a carcinogenic nature; and
- WHEREAS, a coordinated effort of Colorado State and local governments, health care institutions, and other private and public agencies will be required to confront these issues;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Lamm, Governor of the State of Colorado, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Laws of the State of Colorado, do hereby order and direct that:

- 1. There is hereby created a Cancer Control and Research Panel. The Panel is charted with the following responsibilities:
  - A. The Panel shall annually assess, review and endorse a broad multiphasic statewide program for cancer control and research to be known as the "Colorado Cancer Plan", which shall be consistent with the State Health Plan developed by the Statewide Health Coordinating Council and Colorado's three Health Systems Agencies.
  - B. The Panel shall provide the Governor, the State Legislature, and the Colorado Department of Health with a summary of the cancer impact of such environmental factors as radiological development and air pollution in Colorado, and draft a policy statement for their consideration.

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- C. The Panel shall report to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Colorado Department of Health on current efforts to identify specific cancer/environmental relationships and to protect citizens from such environmental exposure as well as other risks of cancer.
- 2. The Panel shall consist of 13 to 15 members to be appointed by the Governor as follows:
  - A. The Executive Director of the Department of Health, the Executive Director of the Colorado Regional Cancer Center, and the President of the Board of the Colorado Division of the American Cancer Society, or their designees, shall be members of the Panel. These individuals may not serve as Chairperson of the Panel.
  - B. At least seven members of the Panel shall be chosen from among cancer specialists in the disciplines of basic science, epidemiology, medicine, nursing, rehabilitation, education/ information, and cancer center administration and management.
  - C. At least three members shall be chosen to represent the public.
  - D. Members shall be appointed for four years except that the initial appointments shall be made in such a manner that four members shall be appointed for terms of four years, four members for terms of three years, and the remaining members for terms of two years.
  - E. Members of the Panel shall serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for travel expenses.
- 3. The Chairperson of the Panel shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
- 4. The Panel shall meet no less than four times annually at the call of the Chairperson or, in his/her absence or incapacity, at the call of either the Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Health or the Executive Director of the Colorado Regional Cancer Center. Eight members of the Panel shall constitute a quorum, and a vote of the majority of the members present shall be sufficient for all actions of the Panel.

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5. At the end of the first four years, the Colorado Department of Health, the Colorado Regional Cancer Center, and the Colorado Division of the American Cancer Society, shall review the work of the Panel and recommend to the Governor whether the Panel should be continued. The Governor shall consider the recommendations and unless there is positive gubernatorial action, the Panel shall cease to exist.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of Colorado, this fifth day of October, A.D., 1978.

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