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Richard D. Lamm
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER

INVESTIGATION AND/OR PROSECUTION OF VIOLATIONS OF THE
LAW RELATED TO, EFFECTING, ARISING OUT OF, CONNECTED
WITH, OR CONTRIBUTING TO THE ACTUAL, SUSPECTED
OR POTENTIAL POLLUTION, CONTAMINATION, DEGRADATION
OR ENDANGERMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT OR NATURAL
RESOURCES WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE
OF COLORADO FROM THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL

WHEREAS, Section 24-31-101(1)(a), C.R.S. (1973) provides that the attorney general shall prosecute and defend all actions and proceedings, civil and criminal, in which the state is a party or is interested when required to do so by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. D0038-83, issued December 9, 1983, ordered the attorney general of Colorado to pursue all necessary actions to initiate and pursue on behalf of the State of Colorado claims and/or actions pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. secs, 9601 to 9657 ("CERCLA") related to the sites and/or facilities listed within Executive Order No. D0038-83, which included the Rocky Mountain Arsenal; and

WHEREAS, recent information received and inspections performed by the Colorado Department of Health have disclosed grounds to suspect that long-standing violations of federal and state environmental laws at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal are contributing to the contamination of public drinking water supplies.

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Lamm, Governor of the State of Colorado, by the power vested in me by the constitution and laws of the State of Colorado, do hereby order the attorney general of Colorado to take all necessary action on behalf of the State of Colorado, in consultation with the Colorado Department of Health, and to investigate all known, suspected or potential violations of the laws of the State of Colorado, and laws of the United States that may be enforced by the State of Colorado, related directly or indirectly to, effecting, arising out of, connected with, or contributing to the known, suspected or potential pollution, contamination, degradation or endangerment of the environment or natural resources within the jurisdiction of the State of Colorado by past or present activities or practices at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal and to prosecute as deemed appropriate by the State of Colorado through civil and/or criminal actions, specifically including action(s) on behalf of the State of Colorado pursuant to 42 U.S.C. sec. 6972 (Federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act), such actual or suspected violations.

GIVEN under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado this 4th day of
February, A.D. 1986.



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