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Roy Romer Governor

<u>EXECUTIVE ORDER</u>

AUTHORIZING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO INVESTIGATE AND, IF WARRANTED, PROSECUTE ANY CRIMINAL OR CIVIL ACTIONS ARISING OUT OF THE MARTIN MARIETTA FACILITIES IN WATERTON CANYON AND THEIR EFFECT ON THE KASSLER WATER TREATMENT PLANT

- WHEREAS, Section 24-31-101(1)(a), C.R.S. (1973) provides that the Attorney General shall investigate and prosecute all actions, civil and criminal, in which the state is a party or is interested, when required to do so by the Governor; and
- WHEREAS, information received by me has raised certain alleged violations of state criminal statutes in connection with the Martin Marietta facilities in Waterton Canyon and their effect on the Kassler Water Treatment Plant; and
- WHEREAS, it is deemed to be important to the credibility of Colorado state government that the Attorney General investigate and determine if there are any prosecutable violations of law by employees of the state or by other persons, public or private, and that the Attorney General take whatever criminal action he deems appropriate including a public statement of his findings:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, 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, to investigate any potential criminal violations by employees of the Colorado Department of Health.

Furthermore, I hereby order the Attorney General to investigate any 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 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 activites or practices at the Martin Marietta facilities in Waterton Canyon. All state officers and employees shall cooperate in this investigation. I further order the Attorney General to prosecute any violations in any court of competent jurisdiction, through civil and/or criminal actions, as deemed appropriate by the Attorney General.

The Attorney General of Colorado is further ordered to take all necessary action, including investigations and prosecution of all additional known or suspected violations of state laws or federal laws that the state may enforce, either civil and/or criminal, which are uncovered during the investigation(s) and prosecution(s) of the actions ordered herein.

> Given under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado this <u>1444</u> day of July 1989.

men Roy Romer



