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EXECUTIVE ORDER

CREATING THE GOVERNOR'S BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE ON ALTERNATIVE FUELS

WHEREAS, an increasing number of alternative fuels for motor vehicles are on the verge of wide-spread use, production and economic feasibility; and

WHEREAS, the use of certain alternative fuels in the Denver region would have a significant impact on Denver's air quality; and

WHEREAS, the Denver region and the State of Colorado are responsible for developing plans to reduce certain pollutants, including carbon monoxide, oxides of nitrogen, ozone, particulates, hydrocarbons, and toxic emissions; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Air Quality Council (the "RAQC"), as designated lead air quality planning agency for the metropolitan Denver area, is required to develop State Implementation Plans for certain pollutants to demonstrate compliance with federal standards, to develop plans for ameliorating visible pollution and to advocate air quality initiatives with governmental and regulatory bodies; and

WHEREAS, an assessment of the potential air quality benefits of alternative fuels is needed for the RAQC to complete such plans; and

WHEREAS, many alternative fuels are part of the state's energy resource base or are produced within the state; and

WHEREAS, an assessment of the benefits of use of alternative fuels to the economy and energy policy of the state is desirable; and

WHEREAS, scientific, business, and governmental interests should work together to assess the air quality, economic and energy benefits of the use of alternative fuels.

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of Colorado, under the authority vested in me by the laws and Constitution of Colorado, DO HEREBY ORDER THAT:

1. The Governor's Blue Ribbon Task Force on Alternative Fuels is created. The RAQC, as the lead planning agency for air quality designated by the Governor, shall participate in convening the task force and shall join the activities of its existing alternative fuels subcommittee into the work of the task force.

2. The task force shall consist of no more than 20 members. Members will be appointed by the Governor and will serve at his pleasure, as will the chair of the task force. The task force shall include at least six RAQC members. The chairman of the RAQC will submit recommendations for the RAQC task force members to the Governor prior to the Governor's final appointment of task force members. The task force also shall include representatives of local government, the environmental community, the oil industry and the alternative fuels industry and at least one manager of a public or private vehicle fleet. These representatives may also be RAQC members.

3. The task force shall have the following duties:

a. To gather information on alternative fuels. Alternative fuels to be studied shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- liquefied natural gas (LNG)
- compressed natural gas (CNG)
- liquefied petroleum gas (LPG, or propane)
- methanol
- ethanol
- hydrogen
- electric and electric-hybrid motor vehicles
- reformulated gasolines
- "clean" diesel fuels

b. To systematically evaluate the air quality, economic, and energy issues surrounding the expanded use of alternative fuels. In evaluating air quality impacts, pollutants to be studied shall include but not be limited to:

- carbon monoxide
- particulates (PM10)
- visibility
- toxic emissions
- ozone

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carbon dioxide

c. To articulate alternative fuel implementation strategies, where appropriate, designed to lead to the increased use of alternative fuels in Colorado.

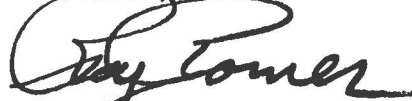
d. To make recommendations to encourage or mandate the use of alternative fuels in varied applications to meet air quality and energy policy objectives.

e. To report to the Governor, the RAQC, and other appropriate local, state, and federal officials.

4. The task force shall develop and approve its own workplan and schedule. The task force shall submit a preliminary report to the Governor no later than April 30, 1991 and a final report no later than October 30, 1991. The task force shall not continue in existence after submission of its final report, unless upon review and executive order of the Governor its existence is extended.

5. The Task Force will be staffed by the Air Pollution Control Division of the Colorado Department of Health, in coordination with the staff of the RAQC. The staffs of the Governor's Office of Energy Conservation, the Colorado Department of Natural Resources, the Denver Regional Council of Governments and other relevant agencies and research institutions are also encouraged to provide input and assistance as appropriate.

Given under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado this 11th day of
October, 1990.



Roy Romer
Governor