



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: Georgia's water resources are precious and vital to the support of the state's economy, the protection of public health, the welfare of our natural systems, and the enhancement of the quality of life for all citizens, making it critical for the state to insure sustainable water management, and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia, through its various departments, agencies, authorities, boards, bureaus, commissions and councils, operates fuel storage facilities at some 350 sites to support the vehicle fueling and emergency power generation and steam heating needs of state operations, and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia has invested large sums of money to renovate and replace aging fuel storage systems, while concurrently remediating past releases of fuel products emanating from the same aging systems, and

WHEREAS: It is in the best interest of the state that all proposed fuel storage systems be reviewed for necessity and that all systems conform to standard design, and

WHEREAS: The Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority has been the lead agency for fuel storage tank replacement and site remediation at all state owned facilities, and

WHEREAS: The fuel systems program managed by the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority have proven to be cost effective and have resulted in increased efficiencies, and

WHEREAS: The Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority has developed the requisite experience, expertise, and organizational framework to provide continued leadership and guidance to state departments, agencies, authorities, boards, bureaus, commissions, councils, and corporations that maintain and operate fuel storage facilities, and

WHEREAS: The Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority has the skills and ability to provide knowledge and guidance on fuel system management to city and county governments if and when requested;

NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE VIRTUE OF THE POWER INVESTED IN ME AS THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority is hereby empowered and directed to coordinate, direct, review, approve and monitor the installation and operation of all fuel storage facilities owned and operated by state's departments, agencies, authorities, boards, bureaus, commissions, councils, and corporations.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority be and is hereby designated the official representative of the State of Georgia to the Federal and State Regulatory bodies for all matters relative to fuel storage systems, with authority to enter into necessary agreements with the regulatory bodies on behalf of all state departments, agencies, authorities, boards, bureaus, commissions, authorities, councils, and corporations, subject to appropriate federal and state law.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority develop and implement programs to monitor and support proper maintenance of fuel storage systems and to develop and conduct training classes for personnel that operate the fuel systems.

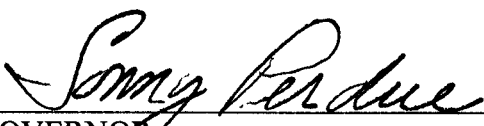
IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority and the Office of Planning and Budget identify and develop funding procedures and arrangements in furtherance of this order.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority provide fuel systems management guidance and advice to Georgia's city and county governments should they request such assistance.

SO ORDERED THIS 23 DAY OF June, 2004.


GOVERNOR