



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

**WHEREAS:** The efficient stewardship of energy resources is important for all Georgians; and

**WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia is one of the largest purchasers and consumers of energy in the state; and

**WHEREAS:** Rising energy prices resulting from changing market conditions and shortages of supply in the wake of hurricanes Katrina and Rita have had a tremendous impact on the budgets and operations of state government agencies; and

**WHEREAS:** Reducing the cost and consumption of energy through appropriate purchasing strategies and efficiency methods is in the best interest of the state; and

**WHEREAS:** The Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority, specifically the Division of Energy Resources has the statutory authority set forth by Section 50-23-32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated to conduct certain energy related activities.

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

**ORDERED:** That there is hereby created a State Facilities Energy Council responsible for recommending energy policies, purchasing strategies, and optimization strategies for state facilities that will reduce the costs and consumption of energy by state government and help ensure consistent energy supply; and

**IT IS FURTHER**

**ORDERED:** That the State Facilities Energy Council shall consist of the following membership:

Chief Financial Officer of the State of Georgia, who will serve as chair

Chief Operating Officer of the State of Georgia

The State Property Officer of the State of Georgia

Representatives from the five state government entities that consume the largest amount of energy; and

**IT IS FURTHER**

**ORDERED:** That the State Facilities Energy Council shall seek the advice of other state agencies and departments in the development of its strategies and decisions; and

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**ORDERED:** That the State Facilities Energy Council may establish by-laws for its governance, as deemed necessary, but it is under no duty to do so. The members of the State Facilities Energy Council shall receive no compensation for their services, but may be reimbursed for travel and other expenses incurred while in the performance of their duties, consistent with state law and policies; and

**IT IS FURTHER**

**ORDERED:** That the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority, with the assistance of the Office of Planning and Budget and the Department of Administrative Services, shall lead a State Government Energy Management initiative and shall have the following responsibilities:

Providing administrative support for the State Facilities Energy Council;

Developing a statewide energy database system in which consumption data will be collected directly from vendors and analyzed to develop purchasing and efficiency strategies;

Providing expertise and advice to state agencies on state facility energy savings opportunities, encompassing energy procurement and optimization strategies;

Tracking global, national, and state energy issues and advocating for state facility energy rates and policies that support the state's energy policy objectives; and

Supporting energy efficiency initiatives in state facilities.

THIS 28<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2006

  
GOVERNOR