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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Executive Office

Columbia

Executive Order

WHEREAS, the construction of nuclear facilities within the State of South Carolina is of benefit to the citizens of South Carolina, and

WHEREAS, prudent planning requires the development of emergency plans for these facilities in the unlikely event of an accident at these facilities, and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina did by an Amendment to Act 223 of 1967, define an "emergency" arising out of the handling or the transportation of by-product material, source material, or special atomic energy materials outside the bounds of nuclear operating sites, and did by the same Amendment designate the Department of Health and Environmental Control as the State Agency responsible for effecting such action as is necessary to meet such emergency, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Environmental Control administers said Act 223 in accordance with an Agreement executed on September 15, 1969, by the Governor of the State of South Carolina and the United States Atomic Energy Commission, and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina did by Act Number 128 of 1973 reconstitute the South Carolina Civil Defense Agency to form the South Carolina Disaster Preparedness Agency, and did establish civil defense and disaster control in South Carolina as duties of said Agency, and

WHEREAS, for technical reasons it is desirable to develop a single agency administration of radiation emergency plans involving peacetime radiation accidents, and

WHEREAS, the normal line of communication for response to such peacetime emergencies is through the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control.

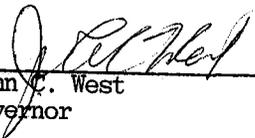
NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor

of the State of South Carolina, and pursuant to provisions of the Constitution and Laws of the United States of America and the State of South Carolina, it is hereby ordered as follows:

The Departments and Agencies of State Government are hereby individually and severally charged with the duty of assuring the continuity of the State Government in peacetime radiological emergencies that might confront the State. To this end, the coordination of State Agencies' response to any peacetime radiological emergency will be the responsibility of the Department of Health and Environmental Control. Other State Agencies shall perform their essential functions, develop such plans, and take such actions as necessary to effect a coordinated response to such emergencies. The implementation of such plans and responses will be at the direction of the Department of Health and Environmental Control.

All assignments of responsibilities to State Officers, Departments, or Agencies of the State of South Carolina heretofore made by Executive Orders and being inconsistent with the above, are hereby superceded.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina, at Columbia, South Carolina, this 31st day of December, 1974.



John C. West
Governor

ATTEST:



O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State