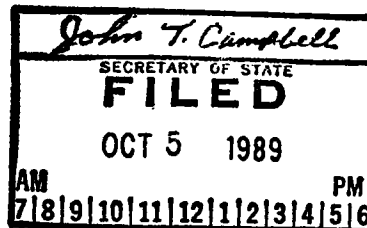
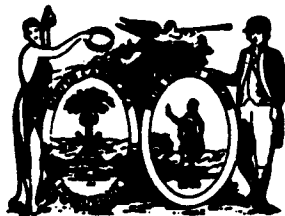


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State of South Carolina

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 89-45

WHEREAS, HURRICANE HUGO HAD A TREMENDOUS IMPACT CAUSING SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE TO TWENTY-FOUR COUNTIES; AND

WHEREAS, AS A RESULT OF HURRICANE HUGO, APPROXIMATELY 36% PERCENT OF THE STATE'S 12.2 MILLION ACRES OF FOREST LAND RECEIVED DAMAGE, CAUSING A GREAT LOSS TO THE STATE'S FOREST PRODUCT INDUSTRY; AND

WHEREAS, THE FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY IS THE THIRD LARGEST MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY IN SOUTH CAROLINA VALUED AT \$4.3 MILLION ANNUALLY, PROVIDING EMPLOYMENT FOR 40,000 PEOPLE; AND

WHEREAS, SAWTIMBER VOLUME DAMAGE IS ESTIMATED TO TOTAL 6.7 BILLION BOARD FEET WHICH REPRESENTS THREE TIMES THE ANNUAL WOOD HARVEST IN SOUTH CAROLINA FOR A TOTAL TIMBER STUMPAGE VALUE DAMAGE OF \$1.04 BILLION; AND

WHEREAS, AS A RESULT OF THIS SITUATION, AN EMERGENCY EXISTS MAKING IT NECESSARY TO SALVAGE AND USE AS MUCH OF THE DAMAGED TIMBER AS POSSIBLE IN THE SHORTEST LENGTH OF TIME POSSIBLE SO AS TO MINIMIZE TOTAL WASTE AND ROTTAGE OF THIS VALUABLE NATURAL AND FINANCIAL RESOURCE; AND

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WHEREAS, IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE STATE TO TAKE ACTION TO PROMOTE THE GENERAL WELFARE OF THIS IMPORTANT SECTOR OF ITS ECONOMY; AND

WHEREAS, OVERSIGHT OF THE PROBLEMS OF HARVEST, SALVAGE, FIRE PREVENTION AND REFORESTATION OF THE DAMAGED AND DESTROYED TIMBER AND PULPWOOD IS NECESSARY TO DEVELOP AN EFFICIENT AND EXPEDITIOUS PLAN FOR SOLVING THESE PROBLEMS IN THE FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY,

NOW, THEREFORE, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND PURSUANT TO THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THIS STATE, I HEREBY CREATE THE GOVERNOR'S FOREST DISASTER SALVAGE COUNCIL TO CONSIST OF SEVENTEEN (17) MEMBERS SELECTED BY THE GOVERNOR REPRESENTING ALL SECTORS OF THE FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY AND ITS REGULATORY STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES; IN PARTICULAR ONE MEMBER SHALL BE APPOINTED FROM EACH OF THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: THE U. S. FOREST SERVICE; S. C. FORESTRY ASSOCIATION; S. C. FORESTRY COMMISSION; S. C. SOCIETY OF CONSULTING FORESTERS; AND THE AGRICULTURE STABILIZATION AND CONSERVATION SERVICE. ADDITIONAL MEMBERS SHALL INCLUDE THE GOVERNOR OR HIS DESIGNEE; THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE OR HIS DESIGNEE; TWO MEMBERS OF THE S. C. STATE SENATE AND TWO MEMBERS OF THE S. C. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES; A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CLEMSON UNIVERSITY EXTENSION SERVICE; AND FIVE MEMBERS REPRESENTING MAJOR TIMBER PRODUCERS AND CONSUMING CORPORATIONS LOCATED IN SOUTH CAROLINA. THE CHAIRMAN SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR. THE COUNCIL MAY ENGAGE AN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WITH MONEY RAISED BY THE COUNCIL. THE COUNCIL IS CHARGED WITH THE FOLLOWING DUTIES:

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- A. MAKE IMMEDIATE DETERMINATIONS OF ALL FACTORS THAT RELATE TO NEEDED ASSISTANCE TO THE FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY;
- B. TO EXPLORE IN DETAIL AND IN DEPTH ALL AVENUES OF ASSISTANCE; AND
- C. TO MAKE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MOST EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE PROCEDURES FOR REALIZING THE GREATEST RETURN ON THESE DAMAGED RESOURCES.

THE COUNCIL SHALL ESTABLISH SUBCOMMITTEES TO WORK UNDER THE COUNCIL'S DIRECTION. EACH SUBCOMMITTEE SHOULD BE MADE UP OF INDIVIDUALS SELECTED ON THE BASIS OF EXPERTISE ON THE MATTERS IN THEIR CHARGE. THESE COMMITTEES SHALL DO THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. INFORMATION: TO DEVELOP AN INFORMATIVE NETWORK TO INFORM RESIDENTS, HOMEOWNERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF SALVAGE EFFORTS.
- 2. UTILIZATION: SHALL CONTACT LARGE WOOD USERS BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF SOUTH CAROLINA TO MAXIMIZE EFFORTS TO PROCESS AND PRESERVE WOOD FOR AS LONG AS POSSIBLE.
- 3. TRANSPORTATION: SEEKS SOLUTION IN THE READINESS AND IN DEVELOPING A TRANSPORTATION NETWORK TO GET SALVAGE TIMBERS TO CONSUMERS.
- 4. ENVIRONMENT: TO SERVE THE NEEDS OF THE TIMBER INDUSTRY WITH RESPECT TO ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS AND CONCERNS.
- 5. INSPECTION: TO PROVIDE CONSTANT REVIEW OF CONDITIONS IN THE FIELD SO AS TO ENSURE MAXIMUM SALVAGE EFFORTS.

THIS COUNCIL SHALL CONTINUE TO OPERATE UNTIL THE CRISIS HAS BEEN ALLEVIATED. IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF EVERY DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OFFICE AND INSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND THE OFFICERS THEREOF, TO COOPERATE WITH AND ASSIST THE COUNCIL IN

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EVERY REASONABLE WAY TO INSURE THE SUCCESS OF THEIR EFFORTS TO SALVAGE THE DAMAGED TIMBERS IN THIS STATE.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 5th DAY OF OCTOBER, 1989.



CARROLL A. CAMPBELL, JR.
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



JOHN T. CAMPBELL
SECRETARY OF STATE