EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER D-63-87

WHEREAS, it is necessary to protect the public from the adverse effects of hazardous material emergencies in California; and

WHEREAS, Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 provides that the Governor of each State shall appoint a State emergency response commission to designate local emergency planning districts; appoint local emergency planning committees; establish procedures for receiving, processing and providing information to the public on hazardous materials; review local emergency plans; and undertake other actions required by Title III; and

WHEREAS, the Title III program supports and extends California's existing Emergency Planning and Public Right-To-Know program developed under Chapter 6.95 of the Health and Safety Code, and administered by the Office of Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, no existing single agency has both the resources and emergency planning experience to completely fulfill the requirements of Title III without assistance from other agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN, Governor of the State of California, do hereby order establishment of a Chemical Emergency Planning and Response Commission for the purpose of implementing the federal SARA Title III Program.

The Commission is chaired by the Director of the Office of Emergency Services (or designee), and further comprised of the Secretaries (or designees) of the Business, Transportation and Housing and Environmental Affairs agencies; the Directors (or designees) of the Department of Health Services, Department of Food and Agriculture, State Fire Marshal's Office, California Highway Patrol and the Department of Fish and Game; the Chairperson (or designee) of the State Water Resources Control Board; representatives of the local planning districts to be designated by the Commission; and a representative of local government.

All State agencies responsible to the Governor are directed, and all other public entities are requested, to provide their full cooperation and support to the Commission as it discharges its duties under this order and federal law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 20th day of March 1987.

George Deukmejian
Governor of California

ATTEST:

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Secretary of State

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