EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER W-40-93

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, Executive Order D-63-87 established the Chemical Emergency Planning and Response Commission for the purpose of implementing the federal SARA Title III Program, and prescribed the membership of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the roles and responsibilities of certain agencies, departments and offices involved in hazardous material management have changed since the formation of the Chemical Emergency Planning and Response Commission; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PETE WILSON, Governor of the State of California, hereby reconstitute the membership of the Chemical Emergency Planning and Response Commission as follows:

The Commission is chaired by the Director of the Office of Emergency Services (or designee); and

Other members of the Commission include the Secretaries or Directors (or designees) of the following agencies:

Business, Transportation and Housing;
State and Consumer Services;
Resources Agency;
Health and Welfare;
Environmental Protection Agency;
Department of Food and Agriculture;
Department of Industrial Relations;

The Commission shall also include Representatives of the Local Planning Districts (to be designated by the Commission) and three representatives of local government.

The Commission shall appoint the members and alternate members of the Local Emergency Planning Committees.

All State agencies, departments, and offices 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.

Executive Order D-63-87 is hereby rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 26th day of January 1993.

Governor of California

ATTEST:

Secretary of State