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**Executive Order Creating
Energy Cabinet**

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois must obtain and maintain an adequate and continuous supply of dependable, economical and safe energy for the people of the State in order to protect the health and welfare of its people and promote the state's economic growth; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois must encourage conservation practices and strive to promote the development and use within the State of renewable energy sources; and

WHEREAS, recent developments and volatility experienced in the energy market by citizens of this State and others through-out the nation demonstrates the need to develop and maintain a strong energy policy, and to create a framework for handling energy-related issues in the most effective manner; and

WHEREAS, because of the varied missions and responsibilities of the several state agencies with programs and policies that affect energy-related decisions and investments in Illinois, State government must do its part by developing a commitment to a fully coordinated and integrated process that will lead to better informed decisions, and to the establishment of comprehensive long-range goals, strategies and investments as part of an overall State energy policy;

THEREFORE, I, George H. Ryan, Governor of Illinois, hereby order the following:

1. There is created an Energy Cabinet, co-chaired by the Senior Advisor to the Governor on Environment and Natural Resources and the Senior Advisor to the Governor on Regulatory Affairs.
2. The Energy Cabinet Members shall include as permanent members: the Directors of the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Nuclear Safety, Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Agriculture and the Chairman of the Illinois Commerce Commission. The Cabinet may also seek the ad hoc participation of other State departments, agencies, boards and commissions, public interest groups and private organizations, as necessary or appropriate.
3. The Mission and objectives of the Cabinet will include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - development of a more meaningful state energy policy.
 - coordination of key decisions impacting the continuous supply of dependable, economical and safe energy resources for the people of the State.

-fostering, encouragement and promotion of alternative and renewable energy resources and energy efficiency developments and improvements.

-identification and maximization of State, federal and private assistance for energy related problems and projects.

-work with the General Assembly on key energy issues particularly those issues that may develop as the State continues to transition towards an electric services deregulated market.

4. The Energy Cabinet shall meet monthly, unless more frequent meetings are needed to effectively address developments in the State or nation that require a State response.
5. The Chairman of the Clean Energy Community Foundation will also be invited to participate in the Cabinet meetings when appropriate and as he or she wishes.
6. This Executive Order shall be effective immediately.



GEORGE H. RYAN
Governor

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