

COUNCIL ON ENERGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

WHEREAS, the State of Vermont must come to terms with the implications of climate change and limited fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, the Governor recognizes the need and opportunity to promote a renewable energy economy that protects our natural environment, provides energy security, and creates sustainable jobs; and

WHEREAS the Governor desires the council of private citizens knowledgeable about the natural environment of Vermont, renewable energy, and the opportunities to reduce our contribution to climate change by conserving and increasing efficiencies across all sectors, including heating, electric and transportation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Peter Shumlin, by the virtue of the power vested in my as Governor, do hereby establish the Governor's Council on Energy and the Environment solely to advise the Governor of policy issues affecting the natural environment and energy security of the State of Vermont. To these ends, I direct the following:

1. The Governor's Council on Energy and the Environment will consist of up to 25 members, all of whom shall be appointed by the governor and serve at his pleasure.
2. The Council shall meet with the Governor at least four times annually.
3. The Governor shall annually appoint one member to the council to serve as Chair.
4. The Executive Office of the Governor shall provide administrative support to the Council. Members of the Council shall receive no compensation for their service.

This executive order shall take effect upon signing and shall rescind Executive Order No. 5-92.

Witness my name hereunto subscribed and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont hereunto affixed at Montpelier, this 30th day of March, 2011.

Peter Shumlin, Governor

By the Governor:

Alexandra MacLean, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs

Executive Order No. 01-11