

State of New Hampshire
By His Excellency
Stephen Merrill, Governor

A Proclamation

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

CONCORD 03301

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 93-1

An order requiring that paper purchased by state agencies, including the General Court, be 50% of recycled material including at least 10% post-consumer recycled waste material.

WHEREAS, state government must lead the effort to implement resource recovery techniques of recycling and reuse and to stimulate recycling markets; and

WHEREAS, state government should maximize source reduction and recycling programs, and increase procurement of recycled materials; and

WHEREAS, all state agencies now have office paper recycling programs and state offices now recycle about 500 tons of paper annually; and

WHEREAS, it is of vital importance that state government be a recycling leader because of the potential large volumes of material which it purchases and then disposes of; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has a stated goal for a 40% reduction of the solid waste stream by the year 2000;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEPHEN MERRILL, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, by the authority vested in me pursuant to Part II, Article 41 of the New Hampshire Constitution, do hereby direct all state agencies to purchase paper consisting of 50% recycled material, including at least 10% post-consumer recycled waste material.

Specifically, on June 30th of each year, each state agency shall submit to the Director of the Division of Plant and Property Management, certification that the agency is complying with this executive order, on a form supplied by the Division.

FURTHER, the Legislature, Secretary of State and the State Reporter are completely exempted from the provisions of this executive order, except for the provisions of RSA 21-I:14-a.

FURTHER, the purchase of materials, supplies, and merchandise by the Department of Resources and Economic Development, as provided by RSA 219:21 shall not be subject to the provisions of this Chapter; except for the provisions of RSA 21-I:14-a.

FURTHER, the Court Systems, are completely exempted from this executive order.

FURTHER, upon a showing by the agency that compliance is not economically feasible, the Director of the Division of Plant and Property Management may exempt an agency's specific purchase from the requirements of this executive order.

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FURTHER, this order shall be effective on April 22, 1993.

Given at the Executive Chambers in Concord, this twenty-second day of April, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-three, and of the independence of the United States of America, two hundred and seventeen.



Stephen Merrill
GOVERNOR OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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ATTEST *William S. Benson*
SECRETARY STATE