

Executive Orders

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 00-45

Tobacco Settlement Payment Options Task Force

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. MJF 2000-2, signed on January 28, 2000, established the Tobacco Settlement Payment Options Task Force (hereafter "Task Force") to compare the value of an immediate lump sum payment of the state of Louisiana's portion of \$246 billion obtained from the settlement of *Richard P. Ieyoub v. Philip Morris, Inc.*, No. 98-6473, Fourteenth Judicial District Court, parish of Calcasieu, and other cases, to the value of annual payments if received as scheduled in the amounts anticipated; analyze the risks involved in the tobacco settlement payment plan; and explore other tobacco settlement payment options that may be in the best interest of the citizens of the state of Louisiana;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. MJF 2000-31, signed on September 27, 2000, established the deadline for the next meeting of the Task Force and extended its reporting period; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend Executive Order No. MJF 2000-2, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-31, in order to further extend the reporting period for the Task Force and establish another deadline for its next meeting;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: Subsection 2(D) of Executive Order No. MJF 2000-2, signed on January 28, 2000, is amended to provide as follows:

Submitting to the governor, speaker of the House of Representatives, and the president of the Senate, an updated comprehensive written report on the issues set forth in subsections 2(A), (B), and (C) of this Order by January 31, 2001.

SECTION 2: Section 5 of Executive Order No. MJF 2000-2 is amended to provide as follows:

The Task Force shall hold its next meeting on or before December 18, 2000. Thereafter, it shall meet at regularly scheduled intervals and at the call of one (1) or both of the co-chairs.

SECTION 3: All other sections, subsections, and/or paragraphs of Executive Order No. MJF 2000-2 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4: Executive Order No. MJF 2000-31, signed on September 27, 2000, is terminated and rescinded.

SECTION 5: This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 15th day of November, 2000.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0012#001

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 00-46

State Employees Health Benefits Study Commission

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana currently offers health benefits to employees of state agencies, school boards, and various political subdivisions through the State Employees Group Benefits Program (hereafter "SEGBP");

WHEREAS, in excess of 120,000 state, school board, and political subdivision employees receive health benefits through SEGBP;

WHEREAS, in excess of 220,000 individuals receive health benefits through SEGBP;

WHEREAS, health care costs are increasing at double-digit rates and are projected to do so into the future;

WHEREAS, the well-being of the state government workforce is vital to the proper functioning of state government and to the people of the state;

WHEREAS, it is essential to the well-being of the government workforce that its employees have access to the best possible health care services at the lowest possible rates;

WHEREAS, the current options and rate structures offered by SEGBP face rising costs and may be or may become actuarially unsound; and

WHEREAS, the interests of the state and its employees can best be served by the creation of a commission to study the best way to provide high quality health benefits to state employees at the lowest price possible;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The State Employees Health Benefits Study Commission (hereafter "Commission") is created and established within the executive department, Office of the Governor.

SECTION 2 The duties and functions of the Commission shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Reviewing and analyzing the current health benefit options and rate structures offered through SEGBP;

2. Identifying and evaluating options for the delivery of health benefits to participating employees, in a manner which is actuarially sound;

3. Identifying and evaluating all reasonable options to improve the efficiency and cost effective administration of SEGBP, including program oversight, internal administration, and privatization;

4. Examining and evaluating the future impact of providing health benefits on the state budget; and

5. Conducting public hearings to receive input from SEGBP plan members, stakeholders, and others who are affected by SEGBP.

SECTION 3: The Commission shall submit a comprehensive written report to the governor by February 28, 2001, which addresses the issues set forth in Section 2. The Commission shall submit an interim report to the governor within sixty (60) days from its first meeting.

SECTION 4: The Commission shall be composed of fourteen (14) members who, unless otherwise specified, shall be appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the governor. The membership of the Commission shall be selected as follows:

1. The commissioner of administration, or the commissioner's designee;

2. The chair of the State Employees Group Benefits Program Board of Trustees, or the chair's designee;

3. Two (2) members of the State Employees Group Benefits Program Board of Trustees, appointed by the governor;

4. One (1) member employed by the Louisiana Department of Insurance with expertise in health insurance matters, appointed by the governor;

5. Three (3) members of the Louisiana House of Representatives, which shall include one (1) member of the House Appropriations Committee, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

6. Three (3) members of the Louisiana Senate, which shall include one (1) member of the Senate Finance Committee, to be appointed by the president of the Senate;

7. One (1) member with expertise in the delivery of medical care services, appointed by the governor;

8. One (1) member with expertise in the financing of health care services, appointed by the governor; and

9. One (1) member employed by an institution of higher education with expertise in the field of health care services, appointed by the governor;

SECTION 5: The governor shall select the chair of the Commission. The membership of the Commission shall elect all other officers.

SECTION 6: The Commission shall meet monthly and at the call of the chair.

SECTION 7: Support staff, facilities, and resources for the Commission shall be provided by the State Employees Group Benefit Program.

SECTION 8: All departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and officers of the state, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Commission in implementing the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 9: This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of

Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 16th day of November, 2000.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0012#002

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 00-47

Bond Allocation Louisiana Local Government
Environmental Facilities and Community
Development Authority

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and Act 51 of the 1986 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Executive Order No. MJF 96-25, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-15, was issued to establish:

(1) a method for allocating bonds subject to private activity bond volume limits, including the method of allocating bonds subject to the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 (hereafter "the 2000 Ceiling");

(2) the procedure for obtaining an allocation of bonds under the 2000 Ceiling; and

(3) a system of central record keeping for such allocations; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority has requested an allocation from the 2000 Ceiling to be used in connection with a program to provide financing for the acquisition, construction, installation, and operation of various solid waste treatment and disposal and waste water treatment facilities and equipment at BASF Corporation's manufacturing facility located in the unincorporated area of Geismar, parish of Ascension, state of Louisiana, in accordance with the provisions of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The bond issue, as described in this Section, shall be and is hereby granted an allocation from the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 as follows:

Amount of Allocation	Name of Issuer	Name of Project
\$6,000,000	Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority	BASF Corporation

SECTION 2: The granted allocation shall be used only for the bond issue described in Section 1 and for the general purpose set forth in the "Application for Allocation of a Portion of the State of Louisiana Private Activity Bond Ceiling" submitted in connection with the bond issue described in Section 1.

SECTION 3: The granted allocation shall be valid and in full force and effect through the end of 2000,

provided that such bonds are delivered to the initial purchasers thereof on or before December 27, 2000.

SECTION 4: All references in this Order to the singular shall include the plural, and all plural references shall include the singular.

SECTION 5: The undersigned certifies, under penalty of perjury, that the granted allocation was not made in consideration of any bribe, gift, or gratuity, or any direct or indirect contribution to any political campaign. The undersigned also certifies that the granted allocation meets the requirements of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

SECTION 6: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 1st day of December, 2000.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0012#009

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 00-48

Bond AllocationC Louisiana Public
Facilities Authority

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and Act 51 of the 1986 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Executive Order No. MJF 96-25, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-15, was issued to establish:

(1) a method for allocating bonds subject to private activity bond volume limits, including the method of allocating bonds subject to the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 (hereafter "the 2000 Ceiling");

(2) the procedure for obtaining an allocation of bonds under the 2000 Ceiling; and

(3) a system of central record keeping for such allocations; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Public Finance Authority has requested an allocation from the 2000 Ceiling to be used in connection with a program to provide financing for the cost of improvements to an existing sugar mill located at 141 Leighton Quarters Road, Thibodaux, parish of Lafourche, state of Louisiana, in accordance with the provisions of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The bond issue, as described in this Section, shall be and is hereby granted an allocation from the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 as follows:

Amount of Allocation	Name of Issuer	Name of Project
\$2,000,000	Louisiana Public Facilities Authority	Lafourche Sugars, L.L.C.

SECTION 2: The granted allocation shall be used only for the bond issue described in Section 1 and for the general purpose set forth in the "Application for Allocation of a Portion of the State of Louisiana Private Activity Bond Ceiling" submitted in connection with the bond issue described in Section 1.

SECTION 3: The granted allocation shall be valid and in full force and effect through the end of 2000, provided that such bonds are delivered to the initial purchasers thereof on or before December 27, 2000.

SECTION 4: All references in this Order to the singular shall include the plural, and all plural references shall include the singular.

SECTION 5: The undersigned certifies, under penalty of perjury, that the granted allocation was not made in consideration of any bribe, gift, or gratuity, or any direct or indirect contribution to any political campaign. The undersigned also certifies that the granted allocation meets the requirements of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

SECTION 6: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 1st day of December, 2000.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0012#010

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 00-49

Bond AllocationC Industrial District No. 3 of
the Parish of West Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and Act 51 of the 1986 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Executive Order No. MJF 96-25, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-15, was issued to establish:

(1) a method for allocating bonds subject to private activity bond volume limits, including the method of allocating bonds subject to the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 (hereafter "the 2000 Ceiling");

(2) the procedure for obtaining an allocation of bonds under the 2000 Ceiling; and

(3) a system of central record keeping for such allocations; and

WHEREAS, the Industrial District No. 3 of the parish of West Baton Rouge, state of Louisiana, has requested an allocation from the 2000 Ceiling to be used in

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Bond Allocation Parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana

connection with a program to provide financing for the acquisition, construction, and installation of certain water pollution control facilities at the chemical plant complex of The Dow Chemical Company located at the corner of Woodland Road and the east side of Louisiana Highway No. 1 Frontage Road, approximately 2.5 miles north of the city of Plaquemine, parish of West Baton Rouge, state of Louisiana, in accordance with the provisions of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The bond issue, as described in this Section, shall be and is hereby granted an allocation from the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 as follows:

Amount of Allocation	Name of Issuer	Name of Project
\$4,000,000	Industrial District No. 3 of the parish of West Baton Rouge, state of Louisiana	The Dow Chemical Company

SECTION 2: The granted allocation shall be used only for the bond issue described in Section 1 and for the general purpose set forth in the "Application for Allocation of a Portion of the State of Louisiana Private Activity Bond Ceiling" submitted in connection with the bond issue described in Section 1.

SECTION 3: The granted allocation shall be valid and in full force and effect through the end of 2000, provided that such bonds are delivered to the initial purchasers thereof on or before December 27, 2000.

SECTION 4: All references in this Order to the singular shall include the plural, and all plural references shall include the singular.

SECTION 5: The undersigned certifies, under penalty of perjury, that the granted allocation was not made in consideration of any bribe, gift, or gratuity, or any direct or indirect contribution to any political campaign. The undersigned also certifies that the granted allocation meets the requirements of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

SECTION 6: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 1st day of December, 2000.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0012#011

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and Act 51 of the 1986 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Executive Order No. MJF 96-25, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-15, was issued to establish:

(1) a method for allocating bonds subject to private activity bond volume limits, including the method of allocating bonds subject to the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 (hereafter "the 2000 Ceiling");

(2) the procedure for obtaining an allocation of bonds under the 2000 Ceiling; and

(3) a system of central record keeping for such allocations; and

WHEREAS, the parish of Ascension, state of Louisiana, has requested an allocation from the 2000 Ceiling to be used in connection with a program to provide financing for the acquisition, construction, and installation of solid waste and disposal facilities for Shell Chemical, LP at its Geismar Plant located in the unincorporated area of the parish of Ascension, state of Louisiana, in accordance with the provisions of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The bond issue, as described in this Section, shall be and is hereby granted an allocation from the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 as follows:

Amount of Allocation	Name of Issuer	Name of Project
\$4,000,000	Parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana	Shell Chemical, LP

SECTION 2: The granted allocation shall be used only for the bond issue described in Section 1 and for the general purpose set forth in the "Application for Allocation of a Portion of the State of Louisiana Private Activity Bond Ceiling" submitted in connection with the bond issue described in Section 1.

SECTION 3: The granted allocation shall be valid and in full force and effect through the end of 2000, provided that such bonds are delivered to the initial purchasers thereof on or before December 27, 2000.

SECTION 4: All references in this Order to the singular shall include the plural, and all plural references shall include the singular.

SECTION 5: The undersigned certifies, under penalty of perjury, that the granted allocation was not made in consideration of any bribe, gift, or gratuity, or any direct or indirect contribution to any political campaign. The undersigned also certifies that the granted allocation meets the requirements of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

SECTION 6: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified,

terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 1st day of December, 2000.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0012#012

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 00-51

Bond AllocationCIndustrial Development
Board of the Parish Calcasieu, Inc.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and Act 51 of the 1986 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Executive Order No. MJF 96-25, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-15, was issued to establish:

(1) a method for allocating bonds subject to private activity bond volume limits, including the method of allocating bonds subject to the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 (hereafter "the 2000 Ceiling");

(2) the procedure for obtaining an allocation of bonds under the 2000 Ceiling; and

(3) a system of central record keeping for such allocations; and

WHEREAS, the Industrial Development Board of the Parish of Calcasieu, Inc., has requested an allocation from the 2000 Ceiling to be used in connection with a program to provide financing for the acquisition, construction, and installation of certain waste water treatment facilities at the refinery facilities of CITGO Petroleum Corporation located at 4401 Highway 108, city of Lake Charles, parish of Calcasieu, state of Louisiana, in accordance with the provisions of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The bond issue, as described in this Section, shall be and is hereby granted an allocation from the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 as follows:

Amount of Allocation	Name of Issuer	Name of Project
\$4,000,000	Industrial Development Board of the Parish of Calcasieu, Inc	CITGO Petroleum Corporation

SECTION 2: The granted allocation shall be used only for the bond issue described in Section 1 and for the general purpose set forth in the "Application for Allocation of a Portion of the State of Louisiana Private Activity Bond Ceiling" submitted in connection with the bond issue described in Section 1.

SECTION 3: The granted allocation shall be valid and in full force and effect through the end of 2000, provided that such bonds are delivered to the initial purchasers thereof on or before December 27, 2000.

SECTION 4: All references in this Order to the singular shall include the plural, and all plural references shall include the singular.

SECTION 5: The undersigned certifies, under penalty of perjury, that the granted allocation was not made in consideration of any bribe, gift, or gratuity, or any direct or indirect contribution to any political campaign. The undersigned also certifies that the granted allocation meets the requirements of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

SECTION 6: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 1st day of December, 2000.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0012#013

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 00-52

Bond AllocationCParish of St. John
the Baptist, State of Louisiana

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and Act 51 of the 1986 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Executive Order No. MJF 96-25, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-15, was issued to establish:

(1) a method for allocating bonds subject to private activity bond volume limits, including the method of allocating bonds subject to the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 (hereafter "the 2000 Ceiling");

(2) the procedure for obtaining an allocation of bonds under the 2000 Ceiling; and

(3) a system of central record keeping for such allocations; and

WHEREAS, the parish of St. John the Baptist, state of Louisiana, has requested an allocation from the 2000 Ceiling to be used in connection with a program to provide financing for the acquisition, construction, and installation of certain solid waste disposal, sewage treatment and/or waste water treatment facilities at the refinery facilities of Marathon Ashland Petroleum, LLC, located in the unincorporated area of Garyville, parish of St. John the Baptist, state of Louisiana, in accordance with the provisions of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority

vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The bond issue, as described in this Section, shall be and is hereby granted an allocation from the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 as follows:

Amount of Allocation	Name of Issuer	Name of Project
\$6,000,000	Parish of St. John the Baptist, State of Louisiana	Marathon Ashland Petroleum, LLC

SECTION 2: The granted allocation shall be used only for the bond issue described in Section 1 and for the general purpose set forth in the "Application for Allocation of a Portion of the State of Louisiana Private Activity Bond Ceiling" submitted in connection with the bond issue described in Section 1.

SECTION 3: The granted allocation shall be valid and in full force and effect through the end of 2000, provided that such bonds are delivered to the initial purchasers thereof on or before December 28, 2000.

SECTION 4: All references in this Order to the singular shall include the plural, and all plural references shall include the singular.

SECTION 5: The undersigned certifies, under penalty of perjury, that the granted allocation was not made in consideration of any bribe, gift, or gratuity, or any direct or indirect contribution to any political campaign. The undersigned also certifies that the granted allocation meets the requirements of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

SECTION 6: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 1st day of December, 2000.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0012#014

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 00-53

Bond AllocationCIndustrial Development
Board of the Parish of Ouachita, state of Louisiana, Inc.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and Act 51 of the 1986 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Executive Order No. MJF 96-25, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-15, was issued to establish:

(1) a method for allocating bonds subject to private activity bond volume limits, including the method of allocating bonds subject to the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 (hereafter "the 2000 Ceiling");

(2) the procedure for obtaining an allocation of bonds under the 2000 Ceiling; and

(3) a system of central record keeping for such allocations; and

WHEREAS, the Industrial Development Board of the Parish of Ouachita, Louisiana, Inc., has requested an allocation from the 2000 Ceiling to be used in connection with a program to provide financing for the expansion of existing manufacturing facilities and the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping of those facilities, located in the parish of Ouachita, state of Louisiana, in accordance with the provisions of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The bond issue, as described in this Section, shall be and is hereby granted an allocation from the private activity bond volume limits for the calendar year of 2000 as follows:

Amount of Allocation	Name of Issuer	Name of Project
\$2,000,000	Industrial Development Board of the Parish of Ouachita, Louisiana, Inc.	Metalfoms - Superlift Financial, Inc.

SECTION 2: The granted allocation shall be used only for the bond issue described in Section 1 and for the general purpose set forth in the "Application for Allocation of a Portion of the State of Louisiana Private Activity Bond Ceiling" submitted in connection with the bond issue described in Section 1.

SECTION 3: The granted allocation shall be valid and in full force and effect through the end of 2000, provided that such bonds are delivered to the initial purchasers thereof on or before December 27, 2000.

SECTION 4: All references in this Order to the singular shall include the plural, and all plural references shall include the singular.

SECTION 5: The undersigned certifies, under penalty of perjury, that the granted allocation was not made in consideration of any bribe, gift, or gratuity, or any direct or indirect contribution to any political campaign. The undersigned also certifies that the granted allocation meets the requirements of Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

SECTION 6: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 1st day of December, 2000.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0012#015

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 00-54

Louisiana Women's Policy and Research Commission

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. MJF 2000-6, signed on February 16, 2000, established the Louisiana Women's Policy and Research Commission (hereafter "Commission");

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. MJF 2000-8, signed on March 1, 2000, increased the membership of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend Executive Order No. MJF 2000-6, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-8, in order to add additional members to the Commission and to amend ancillary provisions;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 3 of Executive Order No. MJF 2000-6, signed on February 16, 2000, is amended to provide as follows:

Commencing February 15, 2001, the Commission shall submit detailed annual reports to the governor, through the Office of Women's Services, which address the issues set forth in Section 2 of this Order.

SECTION 2: Section 4 of Executive Order No. MJF 2000-6 is amended to provide as follows:

The Commission shall consist of the following 25 members who, unless specified, shall be appointed by the governor and serve at his pleasure:

A. The governor, or the governor's designee;

B. The commissioner of administration, or the commissioner's designee;

C. The secretary of the Department of Economic Development, or the secretary's designee;

D. The secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals, or the secretary's designee;

E. The secretary of the Department of Labor, or the secretary's designee;

F. The secretary of the Department of Social Services, or the secretary's designee;

G. The commissioner of Higher Education, or the commissioner's designee;

H. The superintendent of the Department of Education, or the superintendent's designee;

I. The executive director of the Office of Women's Services, Office of the Governor, or the executive director's designee;

J. The executive director of the Children's Cabinet, Office of the Governor, or the executive director's designee;

K. Four members of the Women's Legislative Caucus; and

L. 11 Louisiana women who have significant academic and/or professional expertise in one or more of the following areas:

1. Business or industry,
2. Economics,
3. Education,
4. Demographics,

5. Public health,
6. Law, or
7. Social science and/or social work.

SECTION 3: Section 8 of Executive Order No. MJF 2000-6 is amended to provide as follows:

Commission members shall not receive additional compensation or a per diem from the Office of the Governor for serving on the Commission. State officers and/or employees may seek reimbursement of travel expenses, in accordance with PPM 49, from their employing and/or elected department, agency, and/or office.

SECTION 4: All other paragraphs, sections, and subsections of Executive Order No. MJF 2000-6 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5: Executive Order No. MJF 2000-8, signed on March 1, 2000, is terminated and rescinded.

SECTION 6: This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 1st day of December, 2000.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State
0012#016

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 00-55

Continuation of Hiring Freeze

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, as amended, Act No. 11 of the 2000 Second Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Act No. 2 of the 2000 Second Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature, and/or R.S. 42:375, the governor may issue executive orders which prohibit the filling of any new or existing employment vacancies in the executive branch of state government (hereafter "hiring freeze"); and

WHEREAS, to ensure that the state of Louisiana will not suffer a budget deficit due to 2000-2001 appropriations exceeding actual revenues, prudent money management practices dictate that the best interests of the citizens of the state of Louisiana will be served by continuing until February 1, 2001, throughout the executive branch of state government, the hiring freeze which was ordered through June 30, 2000, by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-18, issued May 4, 2000; continued until September 30, 2000, by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-21, issued June 30, 2000; continued until November 1, 2000, by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-35, issued October 5, 2000; and continued until December 1, 2000, by Executive Order No. MJF 2000-42, issued on October 31, 2000;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority

vested by the Constitution and laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: Unless specifically exempted by Section 2 of this Order, no vacancy in an existing or new position of employment within the executive branch of state government in a budget unit and/or activity funded by Act No. 2 of the 2000 Second Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature (hereafter "Act No. 2") and/or Act No. 11 of the 2000 Second Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature (hereafter "Act No. 11"), which existed on or occurred after May 4, 2000, the date of issuance of Executive Order No. MJF 2000-18, shall be filled without the express written approval of the commissioner of administration (hereafter "hiring freeze").

SECTION 2: All budget activities funded by Act No. 11 which were exempt from the hiring freeze ordered in Executive Order No. MJF 2000-18 continue to be exempt from the provisions of this Order. None of the budget activities funded by Act No. 2 are exempt from the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 3: Each department, agency, office, board, and/or commission shall file with the commissioner of administration, on the tenth (10th) day of each month, a monthly report reflecting projected savings that the department, agency, office, board or commission will generate through the implementation of this Order. Such reports shall reflect a full accounting of personnel changes within the department, agency, office, board or commission

for the reporting period covered, including an accounting of employment figures at the beginning and end of the reporting period and the number of vacancies filled and/or not filled during the reporting period, pursuant to the provisions of this Order. The reports shall include a categorized summary of transactions which resulted pursuant to the exemption granted in Section 2 of this Order and/or permitted pursuant to Section 4 of this Order.

SECTION 4: The provisions of Section 4 of Executive Order No. MJF 2000-18 are continued in effect.

SECTION 5: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect through February 1, 2001, or until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 1st day of December, 2000.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.
Governor

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR
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Secretary of State
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