

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

consequences of this shortage including the depletion of stocks of crude oil, gasoline, heating oil and distillate, and the impending possibility of spot shortages of gasoline and other fuels and the need for both public and private conservation measures to deal with it;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HARRY HUGHES, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY ARTICLE 41, SECTION 15B OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1971 REPLACEMENT VOLUME AND 1978 CUMULATIVE SUPPLEMENT, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 6 OF THE ACTS OF 1979) AND BECAUSE I AM ADVISED AND INFORMED THAT THE FOLLOWING IS REASONABLE AND NECESSARY IN VIEW OF THE SITUATION, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF THE SAID EMERGENCY AS CONTEMPLATED BY ARTICLE 41, SECTION 15B (c-1) OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND AND ISSUE THE FOLLOWING ORDER, EFFECTIVE APRIL 20, 1979.

1. The Executive Order of November 30, 1973 relating to an inventory of petroleum products is hereby rescinded and replaced by the following: the Secretary of Natural Resources is hereby authorized and directed to undertake an ongoing inventory of present and projected supplies of and needs for various energy resources within the State in this Order provided.

2. All persons and entities including, but not limited to, all suppliers, distributors, wholesale purchasers, commercial or industrial users and public utilities, having storage capacities for gasoline, distillate oils (numbers 1 and 2 fuel oil) and diesel fuels in excess of 20,000 gallons or storage capacities for kerosene or jet fuels in excess of 10,000 gallons, or storage capacities for residual oils (numbers 4, 5 or 6 fuel oil) in excess of 50,000 gallons, and all wholesalers and retailers of LP gases or propane, notwithstanding any minimum storage capacities, are hereby directed and ordered to cooperate fully with the Secretary and to submit to him, or his designee, accurate and complete inventory reports at such times and for such periods as the Secretary determines containing the information described in Section 3 of this Order.

3. All reports shall be completed and submitted by the persons and entities described above, under oath, in such manner and on such forms as may be prescribed by the Secretary, who is hereby authorized and directed to establish such forms and procedures as may be necessary and