

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 56

Relating to State Actions Supporting the Cleaner Air Faster Campaign

WHEREAS, preserving air quality to protect human health, quality of life and the environment are values the people of Wisconsin support; and

WHEREAS, groundlevel ozone has harmful health effects, especially among young children, older adults, people with asthma and other respiratory diseases, and active adults of all ages who work or exercise outdoors; and

WHEREAS, the ten counties along the Lake Michigan shore exceed the national air quality standard for ozone and have been designated as ozone nonattainment areas; and

WHEREAS, under my Grow Wisconsin initiative, the Cleaner Air Faster program is an option for those counties seeking to preserve their ozone attainment status; and

WHEREAS, groundlevel ozone is a regional problem because our individual and collective emissions contribute to elevated levels of ozone pollution both near our homes and places of employment and to our neighbors in downwind counties;

NOW THEREFORE, I, JIM DOYLE, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this state, do hereby:

- 1. Direct all state agencies under my authority to develop and implement voluntary emission reduction protocols on air action days in both the nonattainment counties and all counties encouraged to participate in the Cleaner Air Faster campaign;
- 2. Direct DNR and DOA to provide examples of actions state agencies can take on air action days;
- 3. Direct DNR to identify air action days by noon of the prior day based on monitored ozone levels, weather conditions and other factors that affect the formation of ozone and to initiate the notification process to the Governor's office, DOA, local partner groups and the National Weather Service; and
- 4. Direct DOA to coordinate the notification of state agencies when an action day is identified.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have

hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done this eighth day of June, in the year two thousand four.

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By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTI Secretary of State