

THE GOVERNOR

Amendment to Proclamation of January 31, 2011

March 10, 2011

Whereas, on January 31, 2011, I declared an emergency declaration due to a winters storm, accompanied by substantial accumulations of snow and ice that impacted the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with severe weather conditions; and

Whereas, the winter storm conditions, which included heavy snowfall and ice, have resulted in road closures, community public safety delays, property damage, and other adverse impacts upon the population of the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, these severe winter weather conditions have continued throughout February and March 2011 with additional snowfall thereby further accumulating on the existing snowpack; and

Whereas, heavy rain that began on March 9, 2011, may cause localized flooding to occur in certain creeks and streams causing severe damage to roads, streets, bridges, private homes, businesses and pose other adverse life safety impacts upon the general population of the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, it is anticipated that these severe storms, consisting of heavy rainfall, exacerbated by melting snow, may cause further extensive flooding on the major river systems of the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, investigations by state agencies of recently developing conditions indicate that additional resources of the Commonwealth may be needed to assist county and municipal efforts to mitigate and contend with the magnitude and severity of this continuing and expanding disaster emergency.

Now Therefore, Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 7301(c) of the Emergency Management Services Code (35 Pa.C.S.A. Section 7101 et seq. as amended), I do hereby amend my Proclamation of January 31, 2011, as follows:

1. All state agencies are directed to render additional resources as is necessary to assist county and municipal efforts to mitigate and contend with the magnitude and severity of this continuing and expanding disaster emergency.
2. The provisions of the January 31, 2011 shall remain in effect.
3. This Amendment to Proclamation shall take effect immediately.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this tenth day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand eleven of the Commonwealth the two hundred and thirty-fifth.



Governor

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Title 4—ADMINISTRATION

PART I. GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

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[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2011-01]

Governor's Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission

March 8, 2011

Whereas, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is fortunate to have one of the most abundant and diverse mineral resource fields in the world, including the Marcellus Shale natural gas reserves; and

Whereas, innovative technological advances in drilling, mining methods, equipment and water protection and treatment have made development of gas in the Marcellus Shale and other unconventional natural gas reserves possible; and

Whereas, in 2010, Commonwealth taxpayers and communities received more than \$600 million in state and local tax revenue from Marcellus Shale; and

Whereas, Marcellus Shale offers tremendous economic and energy independence opportunities for the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, the Commonwealth takes seriously its responsibility to ensure the development of natural gas in a manner that protects the environment and safeguards the health and welfare of its citizens; and

Whereas, the responsible development of natural gas resources will position the Commonwealth in the global marketplace as a world leader in energy supply and reduce our dependence on foreign oil; and

Whereas, it has been determined that the Governor and the Commonwealth would benefit from the advice and counsel of an official advisory commission comprised of key stakeholders, including experts from the environmental community, natural gas industry, local government representatives and state government officials.

Now, Therefore, I, Tom Corbett, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and other laws, do hereby establish the Governor's Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission as hereinafter set forth.



Governor

Fiscal Note: 2011-01. No fiscal impact; (8) recommends adoption.

Annex A

TITLE 4. ADMINISTRATION

PART I. GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

CHAPTER 6. ADDITIONAL COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES

Subchapter II. GOVERNOR'S MARCELLUS SHALE ADVISORY COMMISSION

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§ 6.431. Purpose.

The Governor's Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission shall develop a comprehensive, strategic proposal for the responsible and environmentally sound development of Marcellus Shale.

§ 6.432. Responsibilities.

The Governor's Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission (Commission) shall do the following:

(1) Complete a review of existing and proposed statutes, legislation, regulations and policies that regulate or affect Marcellus Shale natural gas development in this Commonwealth and provide analysis and recommendations regarding the following:

(i) Additional steps necessary to protect, conserve and enhance this Commonwealth's environment and natural resources and further mitigate impacts from development on this Commonwealth's air, land and water resources.

(ii) Efforts necessary to promote the efficient, environmentally sound and cost-effective development of Marcellus Shale and other unconventional natural gas resources.

(iii) Policies designed to encourage the end use of natural gas and natural gas by-products.

(iv) Workforce development needs and opportunities.

(v) Identifying, quantifying and recommending proposals to address the needs and impacts of natural gas development on local communities.

(2) Provide interim reporting to the Governor, as determined as appropriate by the Commission Chairperson.

(3) Provide a final report due by July 22, 2011.

(4) Convene its first meeting by March 31, 2011, with subsequent meetings as determined by members of the Commission. A simple majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

(5) Adopt rules of procedure consistent with this subchapter.

§ 6.433. Composition.

The Governor's Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission (Commission) shall consist of the following members:

(1) The Lieutenant Governor, who will serve as Chairperson of the Commission.

(2) A minimum of 25 and a maximum of 35 appointees, representing the interests of environmental, conservation, industry, local and State government, who will be chosen by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

§ 6.434. Terms of membership.

The members of the Governor's Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission (Commission) shall serve from the date of their appointment by the Governor until July 22, 2011, or their removal from the Commission by the Governor, whichever occurs first. The Governor may fill vacancies that may occur and may remove any member from the Commission at his discretion.

§ 6.435. Compensation.

Members of the Governor's Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission (Commission) receive no compensation for their service as Commission members. Nongovernment members will be reimbursed for travel and related expenses in accordance with Commonwealth policy. See Chapter 40 (relating to travel and subsistence).

§ 6.436. Staffing.

The Department of Environmental Protection will provide administrative staff resources to support the Governor's Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission.

§ 6.437. Cooperation by State agencies.

Agencies under the Governor's jurisdiction shall cooperate with and provide assistance and support as needed by the Governor's Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission to carry out its functions effectively.

§ 6.438. Reports.

In addition to the interim recommendations in § 6.432(2) (relating to responsibilities), the Governor's Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission (Commission) shall submit to the Governor a final report on the Commission's activities by July 22, 2011.

§ 6.439. Effective date.

This subchapter shall take effect March 8, 2011.

§ 6.440. Termination date.

This subchapter shall remain in effect until July 22, 2011.

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