

EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 96-22

Technology Transfer Programs

WHEREAS: it is the public policy of the state of Louisiana to support technology transfer and utilization of the science and technology resources of the federal government to promote the adoption and utilization of technological innovations by state and local governments and by commercial entities to encourage the exchange of scientific and technical personnel between federal laboratories and academia industry and state and local governments, and to improve the economic, environmental, and social well being of the people of Louisiana;

WHEREAS: the Department of Economic Development is the state agency specifically charged with the responsibility of promoting high technology development, as well as other economic development programs in the state; and

WHEREAS: the National Aeronautical and Space Administration/National Space Technology Laboratory provides certain technology transfer programs and cooperative agreements;

NOW THEREFORE I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the Constitution and the laws of the State of Louisiana, in order to preserve and protect the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: All resources, rights, responsibilities of any technology transfer programs conducted in cooperation with the National Aeronautical and Space Administration/National Space Technology Laboratory shall be held by the Department of Economic Development.

SECTION 2: The Secretary of the Department of Economic Development is authorized to enter into and/or to continue its operations through cooperative agreements with the National Aeronautical and Space Administration/National Space Technology Laboratory, and to continue to develop mechanisms and comprehensive work programs for the delivery of services for the Louisiana Technology Transfer Center located at the National Aeronautical and Space Administration/National Space Technology Laboratory at the Stennis Space Center in Stennis, Mississippi.

SECTION 3: All departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and officers of the state, and any political subdivisions thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Department of Economic Development in implementing the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 4: The provisions of this Order are effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the Governor, or terminated by operation of law.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 the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 31st day of July, 1996.

M. J. "Mike"

Foster, Jr.

Governor

ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR  
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Secretary of State  
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