

THE CITY OF NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE MAYOR NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 29** 

October 1, 1991

## OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATION

WHEREAS, section 192(e) of the Charter of the City of New York and recently promulgated rules of the City Planning Commission provide for the establishment of an Office of Environmental Coordination (OEC) to "provide assistance to all city agencies in fulfilling their environmental review responsibilities"; and

WHEREAS, the rules of the City Planning Commission assign to the OEC several important functions in order to assist lead agencies in the exercise of their environmental review responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the rules of the City Planning Commission providing for a more efficient system of environmental review in the City of New York take effect on October 1, 1991;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of New York, it is hereby ordered:

Section 1. <u>Establishment of Office of Environmental</u> <u>Coordination</u>. There is hereby established within the Office of the Mayor an Office of Environmental Coordination (OEC), to be headed by a director who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Mayor. The director shall report to and be directly accountable to the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Development.

\$2. Scope of Duties. The OEC shall:

a. Provide assistance to city agencies in fulfilling their environmental review responsibilities.

b. Perform any environmental review function assigned to it by a lead agency, except as provided in rules of the City Planning Commission governing environmental review.

c. Assist City agencies in coordinating environmental review when an action involves both City and state agencies, and when an action or part thereof has been or will be reviewed by a federal agency.

d. Perform any other function required by rules of the City Planning Commission governing environmental review.

\$3. <u>Cooperation and Assistance</u>. The heads of all City departments and agencies, including the Director of City Planning and the Commissioner of Environmental Protection pursuant to section 192(e) of the Charter, shall cooperate with and assist the OEC.

§4. This Order shall take effect immediately.

-DAVID N MAYOR

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