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EXECUTIVE ORDER # B84-81

WHEREAS, if the State of California is to meet the competitive challenges of the 1980s and provide sufficient employment opportunities for its population, the mature sectors of the State's industrial base must be revitalized; and

WHEREAS, in some instances the revitalization process has and will continue to entail the closure of some plants and the attendant severe economic dislocations for displaced workers, their families, and their communities; and

WHEREAS, the State has an obligation to its citizens to adopt policies which not only help alleviate the unemployment and economic distress of major plant closings but which also promote a healthy business climate in order to facilitate the creation of new jobs to replace those lost to plant closings in the mature sectors of the economy; and

WHEREAS, the State has attempted to alleviate adverse conditions that might cause plant closures and, where such closures have been unavoidable, has effectively assisted local efforts to secure alternative employment and retraining opportunities for displaced workers; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to assure that such assistance from the State is available on a more systematic and coordinated basis and that workers, firms, and communities know of its availability; and

WHEREAS, the availability of such assistance from the State can serve as an incentive for early notification to workers, local governments and the State regarding anticipated plant closures or mass layoffs well in advance of their occurrence in order that special assistance may be offered to avert unnecessary closings or to prevent severe economic dislocation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edmund G. Brown Jr., Governor of the State of California by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of the State of California, do hereby issue this Order, to become effective immediately:

There is hereby created a California Economic Adjustment Team, which shall consist of the Director of the Department of Economic and Business Development, who shall serve as chairperson, the Director of the Employment Development Department, the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, and the Director of the Office of Planning and Research.

The Economic Adjustment Team shall seek the participation and advice of individuals representative of local government, business and labor in fulfilling its responsibilities. The advice of such knowledgeable community leaders shall be drawn upon to assure effective assistance by the State responsive to particular community needs and circumstances.

The hereby appointed Economic Adjustment Team shall become effective immediately and shall:

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1. Assist, upon the request of local communities, in marshalling available state and federal resources to aid workers and communities affected by major plant closures and to attract new industries to these communities;
2. Oversee the collection of data and preparation of economic analyses and reporting intended to provide better and more detailed assessments of future trends within the industrial, commercial and agricultural sectors of the economy;
3. Study and make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature regarding changes needed in current federal and state statutes and programs in order to minimize harmful consequences of plant closures and promote rapid re-employment of workers and revitalization of communities;
4. Cooperate with all other state, federal and local agencies, departments, and commissions as is necessary to carry out its responsibilities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set
my hand and caused the Great Seal of the
State of California to be affixed this
26 day of May 1981.


Governor of California

ATTEST:


Secretary of State

