

THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF IDAHO
BOISE**

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2017-03

CREATING THE IDAHO STRATEGIC ENERGY ALLIANCE

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State of Idaho to promote development of the state's energy resources to increase energy supply in an economically efficient manner while maintaining the integrity of Idaho's natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho encourages public dialogue and educating citizens on the importance of the state's diverse energy portfolio; and

WHEREAS, the presence of an affordable, reliable and abundant energy supply is critical for our state and national economy while reducing dependence on foreign energy sources; and

WHEREAS, developing Idaho's energy resources will benefit the state by creating diverse, sustainable forms of energy and new job opportunities for Idahoans; and

WHEREAS, the state's energy portfolio should emphasize the importance of an affordable, reliable and secure energy supply, as well as diverse energy resources and production methods, while providing the highest value to the citizens of Idaho.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, by the authority vested in me under the Constitution and the laws of the state of Idaho do hereby order the following:

- 1. The continuation of the Idaho Strategic Energy Alliance (Alliance) as an effort between the State of Idaho and interested stakeholders to facilitate the discussion of a sound energy portfolio for Idaho.*
- 2. The responsibilities of the Alliance shall be to provide information to and a forum for open discussion with elected officials, stakeholders and the public through a Board of Directors. The focus of this information and discussion will be to:
 - a. Increase awareness and understanding of Idaho's diverse energy resources;*
 - b. Increase awareness of cost-effective energy efficiency and conservation opportunities within Idaho;*
 - c. Improve cooperation, collaboration and communication among public and private-sector entities in the areas of energy efficiency, conservation, and affordable and sustainable energy development; and*
 - d. Provide a forum to showcase Idaho's new and innovative energy technologies.**
- 3. Membership of the Board of Directors shall include, but not be limited to, stakeholder representatives and the following representatives of State entities or their designee:
 - a. Administrator of the Office of Energy and Mineral Resources;*
 - b. President of the Public Utilities Commission;*
 - c. Director of the Department of Lands;*
 - d. Director of the Department of Commerce; and*
 - e. Administrator of the Division of Building Safety.**
- 4. Members of the Board of Directors, including the Chairman and Vice Chairman, shall be designated by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Terms for Board members will be two years. The Board shall be governed by an Executive Committee consisting of the Chairman, Vice Chairman, and the Administrator of the Office of Energy and Mineral Resources.*

5. *The Idaho Strategic Energy Alliance shall be overseen, coordinated and supported by the Office of Energy and Mineral Resources.*
6. *When necessary, the Alliance's Board of Directors may engage representatives of the federal government, local government organizations, Idaho universities, private entities and not-for-profit organizations who can provide the expertise and resources necessary to contribute to the success of the Alliance.*



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 8th day of March, in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-first and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-seventh.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE