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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. E0-40-17

WHEREAS, GOVERNOR THOMAS H. KEAN issued Executive Order No. 40 declaring that a state of emergency exists arising from the dioxin contamination of the premises at 80 Lister Avenue, in the City of Newark, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, by said Executive Order the Governor has authorized and directed me to take such emergency measures as I may determine to be necessary in order to fully and adequately protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of this State from any actual or potential danger which may exist as a result thereof; and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 1983, Administrative Order No. E0-40-1 was adopted, which order issued a presumptive fishing advisory in certain waters pending the analysis of fish and shellfish samples; and

WHEREAS, the results of this testing has indicated that fish and shellfish from the Passaic River are contaminated with dioxin in excess of the safe level thereof established by the Food and Drug Administration;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers vested in me by Executive Order No. 40, and after consultation with the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Health, I hereby order and direct that:

1. Until further notice by this Department, the sale or consumption of fish and shellfish taken from that portion of the Passaic River from the Dundee Dam in Garfield/Clifton to the mouth of that River at Newark Bay is hereby prohibited.
2. Pending the analysis of additional fish and shellfish samples, the presumptive fishing advisory for Newark Bay, the Hackensack River up to the Oradell Dam, the Arthur Kill from Elizabeth to Perth Amboy, and the Kill Van Kull shall remain in effect, and the Department strongly recommends that people not consume any fish or shellfish taken from these waters.

3. Appropriate notices, in English and in Spanish, concerning the prohibition on the consumption of fish and shellfish from the Passaic River shall be posted forthwith, along that portion of the Passaic River described in paragraph 1 of this Order.

4. This Order shall supersede Administrative Order No. E0-40-1, dated June 2, 1983.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

Witness: Michael J. Catena

Robert E. Hughey  
ROBERT E. HUGHEY  
Commissioner

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Date