WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 91-08, signed on September 14, 1991, implements the Western Regional Waste Management Protocol;

WHEREAS, regional cooperation on waste management is essential to protecting the environment of Nebraska and the entire western region; and

WHEREAS, the policies and procedures for waste management in neighboring states may affect Nebraska and vice-versa; and

WHEREAS, it is advantageous for the State to receive early notification and the opportunity to comment on our neighboring states’ decisions regarding waste management that will impact Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, it is also incumbent upon the State of Nebraska to provide our neighbors who may be impacted by our decisions regarding waste management with the opportunity to provide us with their comments on impending state decisions; and

WHEREAS, federal cleanup wastes are often shipped from the cleanup site to another state for disposal without the receiving state’s knowledge or approval; and

WHEREAS, the sharing of this information will serve to protect the environment of Nebraska and the western region;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, E. Benjamin Nelson, Governor of the State of Nebraska, under the authority vested in me by the laws and the Constitution of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY ORDER THAT:

Agencies in the State that are responsible for waste management shall cooperate with the Western Governors’ Association and its member states on regional cooperation on waste management. Nebraska’s cooperation will be achieved by the following actions:

1. Each Head of agency shall be a member of Nebraska’s Single Point of Contact for the Western Governors’ Association Waste Impact Network.

2. Each individual’s name will be forwarded to the Western Governors’ Association along with a copy of this Executive Order.
1. The attached Regional Waste Protocol, which has been signed by my hand, will be distributed to staff of the State's agencies handling waste management issues.

2. State agencies and personnel regularly receive pending state decisions on new waste-related waste management taxes or fees. This includes consideration dealing with waste management and disposal issues for potential impact on other areas of the waste as outlined in Principle 2 of the regional waste Protocol. When potential impacts on other states in the region are identified, agency staff will notify the State's Single Point of Contact named above.

3. It will be the Single Point of Contact's responsibility to inform the Western Governors' Association of the potential impacts. It will also be incumbent upon the Single Point of Contact to ensure that all the relevant waste agencies are notified when no one is informed of other states' waste actions which might impact the State.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wyoming to be affixed this 18th day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-one.

[Signature]
Secretary of State