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From: Office of the Chancellor

Subject: Energy Conservation

As you well know, during the latter part of 1973 we experienced a national crisis in connection with fossil fuel supply of all types, and the individual campuses of State University responded magnificently in reducing consumption to lessen the effects of shortages. Together we have reduced the total consumption of energy nearly twenty percent between 1973 and 1975.

At the same time, the cost of utilities has escalated far in excess of even the general inflationary trend. This cost for State University jumped fifty-two percent between 1973 and 1974. Expenditure for energy for Fiscal Year 1975-76 is expected to consume approximately six percent of the total University operating budget. This percentage will almost certainly increase for Fiscal Year 1976-77 in light of recent moves by the Federal government to decontrol prices on fuel oil and natural gas.

We must now face the financial problem, in addition to the shortage of available energy resources. To this end I would ask your continued cooperation in minimizing energy uses on campus.

In recognition of a finite limit on reductions which can be obtained by changes in operating procedure, we are giving high priority in the Fiscal Year 1976-77 to projects that will increase plant efficiency. On your part, I would ask that you effect another five percent reduction in utilities consumed on your campus over the next twelve month period. It is understood that this reduction must come from a decrease in level of service.

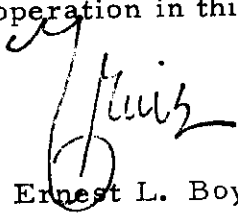
To assist you in this endeavor, the Office for Campus Development will shortly send you, under separate cover, statistical data for the past two years and a

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target figure for your campus for the next year. The Office also stands ready to help in any other way and will welcome your inquiries.

I know that I can count on your continued cooperation in this very critical matter. Thanks very much.



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