

*State of South Carolina*  
*Proclamation*  
*by*  
*Governor Jim Hodges*

**WHEREAS,** protecting our water, soil and air resources is essential to the continued growth and development of our nation; and

**WHEREAS,** environmental systems operators throughout South Carolina and the nation help protect our natural resources by integrating natural, biological, medical, economic, social, engineering, and physical sciences to solve contemporary environmental problems; and

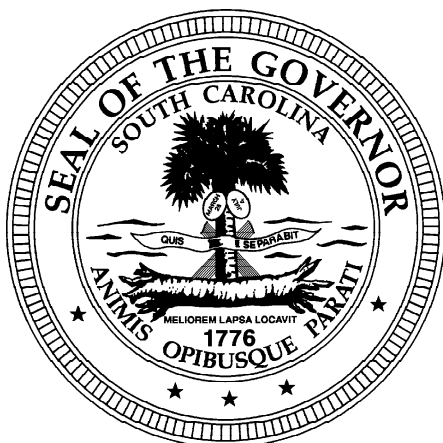
**WHEREAS,** environmental systems operators in the Palmetto State are dedicated to preserving and enhancing our natural environment by promoting research and education, disseminating technical information, increasing public information, and advocating for environmentally friendly public policy; and

**WHEREAS,** the 2001 observance of "Environmental Systems Operators' Week" provides a unique opportunity for the citizens of the Palmetto State to work together to promote public and professional awareness of the importance of protecting and conserving our natural resources.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 29 – November, 4, 2001, as

**ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS OPERATORS'  
WEEK**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the positive contributions made by environmental systems operators to our quality of life.



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