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From: Senior Chief Executive, Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms

To : Supervising Officers i/c Ministries/Departments

**Using the “11/11/11” to initiate a symbolic action
for energy consumption at Public Service Level**

In line with the Maurice Ile Durable concept, Public officers have a key role to play to ensure the sustainable development of Mauritius. A ‘Green Government’ requires the effort of one and all for its achievement.

2. In this context, following an initiative of the Government Service Employees Association (GSEA) and in collaboration with the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development and the Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms, all officers and employees of the Civil Service are requested to switch off all lights, air conditioners and electrical appliances in public offices for **eleven minutes** from 11 00 hrs to 11 11 hrs on Friday 11 November 2011. This does not apply in cases where the use of these equipments and appliances is indispensable and should not be interrupted.
3. This symbolic action on 11.11.11 at 11 00 hours for 11 minutes is aimed at sensitizing Public officers towards the importance of energy saving and the adoption of sustainable practices.
4. Moreover, Public officers are invited during the 11 minutes, to reflect on the ways and means to adopting a green behaviour at work and develop a ‘green mindedness’ through concrete measures by saving paper, energy, water and by making sustainable choices while procuring goods and services.

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