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MEMORANDUM

From: Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station Patuxent River

Subj: ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT

1. The mission of the Naval Air Station (NAS) Patuxent River Complex, which includes Webster Outlying Field and the Navy Recreation Center Solomons, is to enable mission readiness through effective and efficient shore installation management and support. Proactive environmental management is an essential component of our collective mission.

2. All NAS Patuxent River Complex employees, military, civilian, and contractor, regardless of rank or grade, are responsible for performing their duties in a manner that protects human health and the environment, prevents pollution, and conserves our natural and cultural resources.

We are committed to:

a. Continual improvement of environmental programs through an installation-wide Environmental Management System (EMS) that focuses on educating personnel about the environmental impacts of their activities and on minimizing those impacts, whenever possible.

b. Full compliance with applicable federal, state, local, Department of Defense, and Navy regulations and policies.

c. Early introduction of environmental protection, pollution prevention, source reduction, and conservation of natural and cultural resources considerations into the planning stages of projects conducted at NAS Patuxent river complex.

d. Providing a safe and healthy workplace for all personnel and ensuring personnel have proper training and appropriate safety and emergency equipment.

e. Encouraging ecologically sustainable practices that reduce energy and water usage, minimize solid and hazardous wastes, and promote the use of recycled materials.

f. Regularly scheduled self-evaluations of the effectiveness of the NAS Patuxent River EMS to ensure that established objectives and targets are met.

g. Ensuring this environmental policy is communicated effectively to all employees and interested parties.

h. Fostering cooperation with surrounding communities.

i. Proactive, sound environmental stewardship.

  
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