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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

Subj: ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT

1. Commitment to the environment

a. As Commanding Officer of U.S. Naval Air Station Sigonella (NASSIG), I take personal pride in the environmental programs throughout my command and insist environmental management remain one of our highest priorities. I pledge to make environmental considerations an integral part of our planning, decision-making, and operational processes. As part of this commitment, NASSIG will continue to implement an Environmental Management System (EMS) that will provide chain of command support in both policy and implementation of the Environmental Program.

b. The primary functions of the Environmental Program are outlined in this document. NASSIG is committed to continual improvement and the prevention of pollution. Each of us has a significant role in achieving this goal, and the chain of command will provide leadership to ensure that all personnel develop and exhibit a good environmental ethic.

2. NASSIG Environmental Program

a. Compliance. All personnel shall comply with environment regulations as outlined by the Environmental Final Governing Standards for Italy and other applicable legal requirements, as well as other requirements which relate to environmental aspects. Environmental compliance program areas include: Clean Air, Clean Water, Drinking Water, Oil and Hazardous Substance Release Prevention and Reporting, Hazardous Waste, Solid Waste and Recycling, and Storage Tanks.

b. Services. We provide environmental protection services, including hazardous waste management, sampling and testing, oversight for spill control, response and clean up, and recycling.

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c. Planning. We provide support to ensure planning for projects and operations are documented with environmental assessments, impacts, and reviews. We remain committed to setting and reviewing environmental objectives and targets.

3. Our EMS integrates environmental considerations into daily activities. It is a framework that provides a systematic way to review and improve, create awareness, and improve environmental performance, an important step in supporting mission readiness and effective use of our resources. The most significant resource for every organization is senior leadership's commitment and visibility in EMS implementation and sustainability. Join me in my commitment to responsible environmental management of NASSIG.



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