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MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS FOR READINESS AND LOGISTICS (N4)
DEPUTY COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS FOR LOGISTICS (L)

Subj: DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY MEMORANDUM 05-01; BIODIESEL FUEL USE IN DIESEL ENGINES

Ref: (a) ASN (I&E) Memorandum dated Jul 16, 2004, subject: ALTERNATIVE FUELED VEHICLES AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE ENERGY POLICY ACT OF 1992 AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 13031

- (b) Energy Policy Act (EPAct) of 1992, 42 U.S.C. 13201 et seq. (1992)
- (c) Executive Order 13149

As discussed in reference (a), the Department of the Navy (DON) remains committed to the alternate fuel and alternative fueled vehicle (AFV) goals of references (b) and (c). These goals are intended to reduce the Nation's dependence on foreign oil, to improve the Nation's air quality, and to exercise federal leadership in the use and development of alternate fuels. Over the past several years, the Navy-Marine Corps Team has demonstrated exceptional leadership in the acquisition and use of AFVs and alternate fuel use. Expanded use of biodiesel fuel (B-20) can improve our leadership role in the use of alternate fuels and allow the Navy and Marine Corps to obtain additional AFV credits under the Energy Policy Act.

Notwithstanding the minimum requirements of references (b) and (c), all diesel vehicles not specifically exempted shall operate on biodiesel fuel (B-20) no later than 1 June 2005 where B-20 can be supplied by the Defense Energy Support Center (DESC), adequate fuel tanks are available, and the use of biodiesel fuel is allowable and practicable considering Federal, State, and/or local regulatory requirements. Activities that own a small number of diesel fuel tanks can convert these tanks to B-20 and obtain regular diesel fuel from commercial/exchange retail services. This requirement applies to all DON activities, including working capital funded activities such as exchange activities, unless requirements are specifically waived by the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (N4) or the Office of the Commandant of the Marine Corps (L). Biodiesel or biodiesel blends shall not be used in tactical military equipment or deployable commercial equipment intended to support contingency operations.

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