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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
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ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE
(INSTALLATIONS, ENVIRONMENT AND LOGISTICS)
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY

SUBJECT: Reimbursement of State Activities in Support of the Defense Environmental
Restoration Program (DERP)

States and territories are vital partners in the effort to facilitate a quality environmental restoration process. We recognize that their active participation helps to expedite the DERP to the benefit of the Department.

The Army, as lead agent for the Defense and State Memorandum of Agreement (DSMOA) program, continues to enable participation of DoD Components, states, and territories by providing a uniform approach that seeks to be both transparent and accountable. The Navy and Air Force have requested additional flexibility to manage the costs and the local dynamics to support their restoration programs.

This memorandum authorizes the DoD Components to pursue alternative approaches to the DSMOA for reimbursing costs of state services where appropriate. Alternative approaches are subject to the appropriate state or territorial regulatory agency agreeing to negotiate a separate agreement that complies with all applicable legal requirements. DoD Components shall notify this office at least 60 days in advance of signing an agreement to ensure an orderly withdrawal from the DSMOA program. We will incorporate this policy in the upcoming publication of the DERP Manual.

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