

**RHODE ISLAND AIR NATIONAL GUARD**  
**143<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing**  
**Environmental Commitment Statement**  
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1. The 143<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing of the Rhode Island Air National Guard is committed to the protection of human health and the environment as it accomplishes its stated mission:

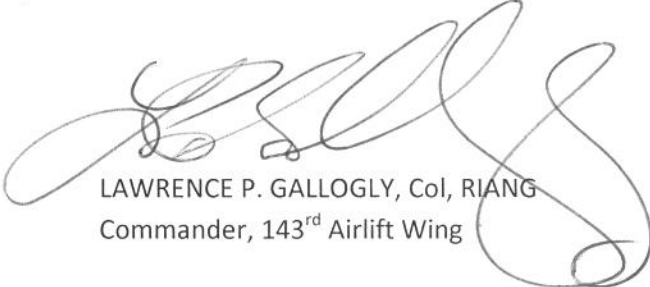
“To maintain the highest caliber of trained personnel and equipment to accomplish the USAF mission of ‘Fly, Fight, and Win.’ Provide to the State of Rhode Island trained and equipped personnel to protect life and property, preserve the peace, order and public safety. Add value to our communities by involvement in local and state programs.”

2. The 143<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing is dedicated to the development, implementation, and thorough documentation of an installation-wide Environmental Management System (EMS) designed to assure compliance with applicable Federal, State, local, and Air Force-specific environmental regulations and policies.

3. The 143<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing is committed to pollution prevention, and to continual improvement of its environmental management practices and programs. Significant environmental aspects of the unit’s operations will be identified, objectives will be set forth for improving these aspects, and specific tasks (targets) are to be defined. Completion of these targets will be documented, and the effectiveness of the improvements will be checked and documented. The cyclical EMS process of “Plan, Do, Check, and Act” will result in continuous improvement to the 143<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing’s environmental programs.

4. This Environmental Commitment Statement will be communicated to all persons working for or on behalf of the 143<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing while on the installation, and will be made available to the public via the public Quonset ANG Base website.

5. This Environmental Commitment Statement will be reviewed annually by the base Environmental, Safety and Occupational Health Council (ESOHC) during the EMS management review process, and modified as necessary to reflect changes in the installation’s mission, or changes in the scope of the EMS. If this Environmental Commitment Statement is modified, it will be re-communicated to all persons working for or on behalf of the 143<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing while on the installation, and will be made available to the public via the Quonset ANG Base website.

  
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