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SAFETY AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH POLICY STATEMENT

Safety is essential to our success in Navy Region Hawaii. It is fundamental that each person in the chain of command and all our employees actively participate in identifying situations, processes, and activities that have the potential to damage our equipment, harm the environment, or compromise the health and well-being of anyone: Sailor, Federal Employee, Contractor, and our families.

The Navy's policy to provide a safe and healthy work environment for all personnel requires the full involvement of the entire Navy Region Hawaii team. Operational Risk Management (ORM) must be part of our culture. This process must be applied to everything we do – every time we do it. ORM is a decision-making tool that increases operational effectiveness by anticipating hazards, minimizing risks to acceptable levels, and reducing the potential for mishaps. The steps of ORM include identifying and assessing hazards, making risk decisions, implementing controls, and ensuring those controls and procedures remain in place. An ORM mindset must be integral to everyone's daily routine, on or off duty, at the command, at home, or on liberty and leave. A "24/7" ORM mindset will minimize risk to self, others, equipment, and property.

It is Department of Defense and Navy policy to reduce preventable accidents. I hold the chain of command and each individual accountable for aggressively identifying and reporting unsafe work conditions. Contribute to our safety culture by actively utilizing applications such as Enterprise Safety Applications Management System (ESAMS), which provides a mechanism for management to address safety issues before they lead to incidents or accidents. We cannot afford any loss due to preventable mishaps. I expect all military and civilian personnel to ensure that, without exception, safety is a top priority in everything we do throughout this Region.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "F. L. Ponds", is positioned above the printed name.

F. L. PONDS