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POLICY LETTER 01-14

From: Commander, Marine Forces Reserve
To: Distribution List

Subj: COMMANDER'S ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT

Ref: (a) Executive Order 13148
(b) DOD EMS Policy 05 Apr 02
(c) CMC EMS Letter 03 Mar 04
(d) MCO P5090.2A

1. Purpose. To establish Environmental policy for Marine Forces Reserve (MARFORRES) that sustains support for facilities and quality training environments and assures their availability. Comply with all applicable Federal, state, and local environmental laws and conscientiously work to conserve the natural resources under our management and control.

2. Cancellation. Policy letter 3-13 is no longer in effect; policy letter 01-14 will remain in effect until revised or when indicated by the appropriate authority. This policy supersedes all previous environmental policy.

3. Information. As agents of the Federal Government, we are entrusted by the public to make environmental considerations an integral part of installation and range management programs, training activities and equipment fielding, and construction planning processes. The MARFORRES Environmental Management System (EMS) provides the Force with a systematic approach to integrate these environmental considerations and establishes a framework for continual environmental improvement over the long term. Specifically, we shall:

a. Comply with or exceed all Federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations.

b. Prevent pollution and minimize the distribution and use of hazardous materials to provide our forces and surrounding communities with safer working and cleaner living environments.

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c. Set and review environmental objectives and targets; participate in external and internal environmental program assessments to allow for continued improvement and efficiency.

d. Conserve our finite natural and cultural resources by encouraging training and awareness of environmental factors such as soil erosion, waste streams, fire hazards, and cultural sites.

4. Scope. All Commanders are personally liable for environmental compliance within their units; therefore, I bid each of you to enhance awareness of this policy statement throughout your commands. Verify your personnel are appropriately trained and have access to those resources essential to the proper conduct of their duties as Instructor-Inspectors, Environmental Compliance Officers, and Hazardous Materials Noncommissioned Officers. All MARFORRES members, regardless of billet, will follow sound environmental practices. My staff and I stand ready to assist you in every aspect of this endeavor. Together we will ensure that our environmental performance improves and our impacts on the environment decrease; thereby assuring our training environments retain their quality and remain accessible for use by future generations of Marines. Our mission depends upon it.

5. Point of contact concerning this issue is Mr. Richard L. Godchaux, Environmental Program Manager, Marine Forces Reserve, at (504) 697-9840.

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