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From: Commanding Officer, Naval Research Laboratory
Director of Research, Naval Research Laboratory

Subj: NAVAL RESEARCH LABORATORY'S ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT

Ref: (a) OPNAV M-5090.1, *Environmental Readiness Program Manual*
(b) NRLINST 5090.2, *Environmental Management System*

1. As the Commanding Officer and Director of Research, we are committed to incorporating sound environmental management into day-to-day decision-making and long-term planning at NRL. References (a) and (b) provide a robust Environmental Management System (EMS) framework to comply with environmental laws, regulations and other compliance obligations, prevent pollution, and minimize risk to personnel and the environment.
2. We challenge all NRL employees to strive to increase energy efficiency, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and to identify opportunities to improve storm water management to improve the health of our local waterways. Our organization must continue to demonstrate commitment to pollution prevention with strong green procurement, recycling, and spill prevention programs and we must require our vendors and contractors to do the same.
3. We will periodically reassess significant aspects of our NRL activities, products, and services that interact with the environment. From these aspects, we will develop objectives for reducing environmental impacts. We will ensure members of the NRL community receive the training and resources necessary to fulfill these goals and we will track our progress in meeting them.
4. I, along with Dr. Danly, will periodically review our EMS to ensure its continuing suitability, adequacy, and effectiveness. We will strive for continual improvement of our EMS to enhance NRL's and the Navy's environmental performance.
5. Everyone at NRL has a role in implementing good environmental practices and we would like to thank each of you for your environmentally responsible efforts. We continue to charge NRL Division Heads to demonstrate their environmental leadership by sharing responsibility for the success of NRL's EMS by conforming to its requirements and implementing good environmental practices in their Divisions.


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