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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: POLICY – Ohio Army National Guard (OHARNG) Environmental Management System (eMS) Policy # CS-19-011

1. References. Executive Order (EO) 13834, *Regarding Efficient Federal Operations*, dated 17 May 2018. AR 200-1, *Environmental Protection and Enhancement*, dated 13 December 2007. ISO 14001:2004(E), *Environmental Management Systems – Requirements with Guidance for Use*, dated 15 November 2004.
2. The OHARNG is a dynamic organization comprised of men and women dedicated to fulfilling our federal, state, and community missions. Readiness of our units and our Soldiers is integral to each of these missions, and resources that provide and facilitate readiness are a top priority. A sustainable training environment is critical, as well as our continued utilization of training facilities and lands, are key among those resources.
3. The OHARNG is committed to environmental stewardship at all of our facilities and within our communities.
4. Through sound environmental management, the OHARNG is committed to:
 - a. Assuring the sustainability and availability of training lands and facilities to enable Soldier training and unit readiness.
 - b. Looking to the Environmental Quality Control Committee as the primary means to set and review objectives, targets, and enable continual improvement.
 - c. Complying with all relevant environmental legislation and regulations.
 - d. Executing a formalized educational process that ensures Soldiers are informed of environmental program requirements and are able to execute individual and organizational responsibilities.
 - e. Continually improving upon pollution prevention and reduction strategies through the application of innovative processes.

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f. Considering the environmental requirements and impacts in all planning processes relative to training, equipment fielding, and construction.

5. Adherence to these commitments and to the ISO 14001 standard is vital to OHARNG readiness and mission accomplishment, and will be fully supported by the chain of command.

6. The most important part of the OHARNG's eMS is you. Encourage your Soldiers and employees to take ownership of environmental issues that affect their ability to accomplish the mission. It is imperative that Soldiers and employees are familiar with and have a general understanding of the eMS policy.

7. To that end, please ensure the widest possible dissemination and communication of this policy by posting it on unit and office bulletin boards and briefing it annually to all OHARNG Soldiers and employees. The eMS policy statement is available on the Environmental Management page on TAGNET and at http://ong.ohio.gov/environmental_index.html.

8. The point of contact for this policy is MAJ Steven M. Vicario, Energy and Environmental Branch Chief, at (614) 336-7095 and steven.m.vicario.mil@mail.mil.



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