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279TH BASE SUPPORT BATTALION

UNIT 27535

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: 279th BSB Environmental Management System (EMS) Policy Statement

1. References.

- a. Memorandum, AEACG, 6 Jul 03, subject: Environmental Stewardship
- b. Executive Order 13148, 26 Apr 00, subject: Greening the Government Through Leadership in Environmental Management.
- c. Memorandum, DAIM-ED-C, 6 Aug 01, subject: New Installation Management Requirements.

2. Purpose.

a. The early consideration and resolution of environmental impacts and consequences of 279th BSB decisions and actions enhance mission readiness. The guiding principle is that work and actions must be environmentally sustainable, meeting current needs without compromising the integrity of the environment for future generations.

b. To enable environmental objectives to be achieved, 279th BSB enacts the following environmental policy:

3. Policy.

a. **Applicability:** This policy statement applies to all civilian and military personnel and all host and tenant organizations assigned to the 279th BSB.

b. **Responsibility:** Environmental Policy is the responsibility of the 279th BSB Commander. Environmental stewardship is the responsibility of all personnel assigned to the 279th BSB as well as tenants and residents. Any planned action that may impact the environment must be brought to the attention of the DPW EMO to assess that impact.

c. **Mission:** The 279th BSB DPW develops and manages the environmental programs within the BSB to meet its stewardship responsibility to protect and conserve the environment and enhance the quality of life of the community. To accomplish this mission we commit to:

(1) Implement and maintain an effective environmental management system that enables our installation to improve its environmental performance. Integrate environmental considerations into all aspects of the installation's activities.

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(2) Establish measures of performance to assist in assessing system effectiveness. Continually assess 279th BSB activities and services to determine their effect on the environment. Conduct periodic environmental assessments, inspections and training to ensure compliance with internal and external requirements.

(3) Comply with all applicable environmental policy, laws, and regulations and continue to maintain the positive relationship with, other government agencies, Host Nation, and the local community.

(4) Identify and address pollution prevention opportunities within the operations and services being conducted at the 279th BSB and support initiatives to identify and maximize recycling, reduction and reuse opportunities.

(5) Remove contamination as quickly as resources permit.

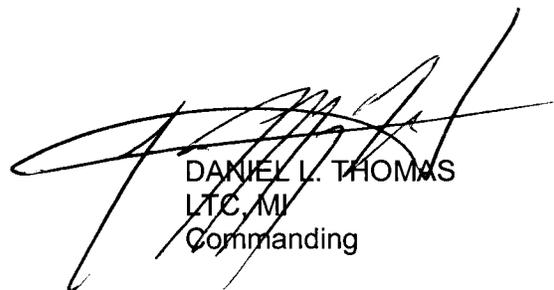
(6) Maintain internal and external communication processes which consider and address the concerns of staff, customers, neighbors and the wider community.

(7) Promote the protection of public health and the environment and to conserve valuable material and energy resources. Material resources will be reused, recycled, and reprocessed whenever possible.

(8) Maintain sustainable use of Army land through the conservation of existing resources. Enhance the quality of life for residents by incorporating the conservation of natural resources into the planning process.

d. The environmental policy statement is available to all personnel at the 279th BSB. It is posted in all host and tenant shops, work areas, and offices as appropriate. The policy is available to the 279th BSB community upon request, through the Public Affairs Office.

4. Point of contact is Mr. Rauch, Chief Environmental Management Office, 279th BSB DPW at DSN 469-8849, FAX 469-8772 or e-mail: Uwe.Rauch@cmtymail.98asg.army.mil.



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