DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE 39TH AIR BASE WING (USAFE)



MEMORANDUM FOR ALL UNIT COMMANDERS

FROM: 39 ABW/CV

SUBJECT: Environmental Management System (EMS) Statement

Reference: AFI 32-7001, 23 August 2019, Environmental Management

1. The 39th Air Base Wing, its Geographically Separated Units (GSUs), tenant units, NATO, and coalition partners are committed to conducting their mission in an environmentally responsible manner that will protect human health, natural resources, and the environment. In doing so, we will comply with all environmental laws and regulations applicable in the conduct of our mission and strive for continual improvement in our environmental performance. This commitment goes beyond simple compliance with the law and encompasses the integration of sound environmental practices into our daily decisions and activities. We will pursue a course of responsible environmental stewardship. In support of our EMS Statement, we will:

a. Maintain an effective environmental management system and remain ready to respond to emergencies including any declared pandemic threat or emergency, in order to improve our environmental performance and minimize adverse impacts to installation workers, families and the public.

b. Promote the pollution prevention program to minimize the generation of wastes through the purchase of environmental-friendly equipment and materials, routine evaluation of new technologies and processes that reduce waste generation, and to dispose of any remaining wastes in an environmentally responsible manner.

c. Integrate environmental information at all organizational levels of both staff and management, and make environmental protection everyone's responsibility.

d. Provide regular environmental performance reviews through the Environmental, Safety, and Occupational Health Council, develop plans to address actual or potential noncompliance situations, and monitor the objectives, targets, and goals set for the significant aspects identified.

e. Conduct semi-annual shop-level and program-level inspections through the Wing Commander's Inspection Program (CCIP), and document the results of the monitoring of all applicable environmental programs within the Management Internal Control Toolset (MICT).

2. This EMS Statement is effective immediately. Please forward inquiries to the 39 ABW EMS Coordinator at DSN 676-3787.

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