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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

FROM: 153 AW/CC

SUBJECT: 153 AW Environmental Commitment and Sustainment Statement

1. The mission of the 153d Airlift Wing is to provide worldwide theater airlift for U.S. military and humanitarian operations, airdrop and aero medical evacuation and to respond to state and federal disasters to assist with relief programs. When activated by the National Forest Service, Modular Airborne Fire Fighting System (MAFFS) are employed to combat wild fires. The Wing is equipped with twelve C-130H model aircraft. Ten squadrons, seven flights, three groups and an active duty associate unit. These elements carry out the unit's mission by providing administrative and logistical support, including aerial port, maintenance and supply, communications, civil engineering, personnel, transportation, base services, security, and medical functions.
2. The Wyoming Air National Guard is committed to conducting its 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, Air Force Directives and other regulations applicable to the conduct of our mission and strive for continual improvement in our environmental performance. This commitment goes beyond compliance with the law and encompasses the integration of sound environmental practices into our daily decisions and activities. We have in the past, and will continue in the future, to pursue a course of responsible environmental stewardship. In support of our environmental commitment statement, we will:
 - a. Maintain an effective environmental management system, promote the use of safe technologies and operating practices, and remain ready to respond to emergencies in order to improve our environmental performance and minimize adverse impacts to installation workers, their families, and the environment.
 - b. Set environmental goals, measure progress, take corrective action when necessary, and communicate results and other environmental information regarding the installation's operations and its environmental accomplishments to workers, the community, suppliers, regulators and the public. These goals need to be constantly reviewed and updated to reflect changes in policy and our mission.
 - c. Investigate and evaluate new and innovative technologies and practices as appropriate, establish and implement an effective pollution prevention program, minimize the generation of wastes, recycle materials otherwise destined to become waste when possible, and dispose of any remaining wastes in an environmentally responsible manner. By implementing these new projects and technologies, we can make continued progress toward pollution prevention and environmental stewardship.
 - d. Ensure the responsible use of energy throughout the installation, including the adoption of innovative practices and procedures that will conserve energy and improve energy efficiency.
 - e. Provide regular operation-specific environmental performance reviews and assessments, and develop plans to address actual or potential noncompliance situations. Significant environmental aspects should receive the most attention and be given top priority to eliminate.
3. Compliance with this Environmental commitment statement is the responsibility of every member of the 153d Airlift Wing community, contractors as well as the responsibility of all contracted services in accordance with their roles and responsibilities on the installation.

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