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MEMORANDUM FOR DLA CORPORATE BOARD
COMMANDERS, DLA FIELD ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: Defense Logistics Agency Environmental Management System Policy

Environmental management must become a business practice for systematically upgrading overall Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) performance. Systematic environmental management must become an active tool for accomplishing our strategic goals.

DLA will continue its commitment to environmental stewardship, to reducing risk and pollution, and to assuring continual compliance with legal and other requirements. We must also harness environmental management to accomplish our mission priorities. Systematic environmental management must become an integral part of our commitment to working with our suppliers, host communities, stakeholders, and employees to provide ever-improving support for the warfighter.

Therefore, I am directing that DLA adopt the internationally recognized Environmental Management System (EMS) Standard, International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001. By December 31, 2005, all qualifying activities will have conforming EMSs, and we will work to integrate EMS in all missions, activities, and functions. Third party certification to the ISO 14001 Standard is allowed when it provides clear and documented mission benefits.

Support for our customers and the nation demand a commitment to continual improvement in our environmental management practices. Your active leadership and personal involvement are essential.

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