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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Rhode Island Army National Guard Environmental Management System (EMS) Policy Statement

1. The Rhode Island Army National Guard (RIARNG) is a dynamic organization of Soldiers committed to protecting and defending the United States of America, both here and abroad, in addition to serving the Governor of the state in times of crisis. The Guard's ability to accomplish both Federal and State missions is achieved by its personnel strength, military skillset proficiency, and equipment readiness.
2. The RIARNG is committed to environmental stewardship, at all training areas, facilities, and land used by our units both in and out of state. A sustainable training environment is critical for continued use of these resources.
3. The RIARNG is committed to sound environmental management by:
 - a. Maximizing available training lands and facilities to enhance soldier readiness.
 - b. Minimizing operational effects upon land, water and air.
 - c. Implementing Management Review Processes to monitor environmental objectives and make corrective changes when necessary.
 - d. Complying with all applicable Federal, State, local, DoD, and RIARNG environmental laws, regulations, and policies.
 - e. Early assessment of potential environmental requirements and impacts in all activities.
4. Under my leadership, the RIARNG will adhere to these commitments, ISO 14001 standards, and commit to continuous improvement and the prevention of pollution.


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The Adjutant General

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