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SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENTAL and ENERGY POLICY STATEMENT

The U. S. Coast Guard provides *Service to Nation* to the public we serve, the industry we regulate and the stakeholders we support through our commitment to protect natural resources and the environment. Our *Commitment to Excellence* demands that we hold ourselves to the highest standards of environmental compliance, sustainability and energy conservation in the conduct of all Coast Guard missions. We will infuse mission criticality, environmental impact and fiscal consequences into all Coast Guard decision making processes. Our *Duty to People* requires that we take steps now to ensure the health of our workforce and the communities around us.

To achieve these goals, Coast Guard personnel shall:

- Promote environmental and energy awareness and reduce liabilities in day-to-day activities;
- Optimize energy and environmental management solutions with innovative techniques that maximize future flexibility and reduce costs;
- Comply with all applicable pollution prevention and environmental laws;
- Engender a culture of conservation and engage all Coast Guard personnel as accountable energy and environmental stewards;
- Implement sound sustainable business practices that extend mission capability and minimize energy and environmental impact;
- Execute sustainable tactics that fulfill goals outlined in the Coast Guard Operational Sustainability Performance Plan and meet pertinent Executive Orders.

I charge every Coast Guard member to incorporate sustainability into all mission areas. Our shared duty to protect our natural resources and operate resourcefully is essential to sustained mission excellence.

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