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Kentucky Air National Guard
123d Airlift Wing Environmental Statement

The mission of the Kentucky Air National Guard's 123d Airlift wing is to provide worldwide theater airlift and contingency response for U.S. operations, both at home and overseas. The mission requires the following support organizations: administrative, logistics, aerial port, special tactics, maintenance, security, contracting, communications, civil engineering, personnel, base services and medical. The Kentucky 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 other requirements applicable to the 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 statement, we will:

Provide regular operation-specific environmental performance reviews and assessments, and develop action plans to address actual or potential noncompliance situations.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Comply with all federal, state, and local regulations as well as other requirements.

Compliance with this Environmental Statement is the responsibility of every member of the Kentucky Air National Guard to ensure our commitment to continual improvement, pollution prevention, and compliance with applicable legal and other requirements in accordance with their role and responsibilities in the organization.

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