MEMORANDUM FOR ALL Unit Members, State and Contract Employees, Contractors and Vendors

FROM: 148 FW/CC

SUBJECT  CC-12 Environmental Commitment Statement

1. This letter supersedes previous letters with the same subject as above, dated 01 August 2016.

2. The 148th Fighter Wing in Duluth, Minnesota is committed to conducting our mission in an environmentally responsible manner that will protect human health, natural resources, and the environment. In doing so, we will comply with all federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations as well as Executive Orders and Air Force Policy Directive 90-8, Environmental, Safety & Occupational Health Management and Risk Management, Air Force Instructions, and guidance while we continually improve 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.

3. The 148 FW activities include operating and maintaining F-16 aircraft with the support of corrosion control, fuel cell maintenance, nondestructive inspection, engine maintenance, aerospace ground equipment maintenance, vehicle maintenance, fueling operations, facilities maintenance, firefighting, EOD and administrative functions. In support of our environmental commitment, we will seek to:

   a. Use the cooperative efforts of the Wing's environmental professionals and multi-discipline environmental working groups and committees to set and review environmental goals, objectives, and targets, 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.

   b. Working in Partnership with all stakeholders, investigate and evaluate new technologies, continue to improve our pollution prevention program, minimize the generation of wastes, continue to improve our recycling program, and dispose of any remaining wastes in an environmentally responsible manner.

   c. 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.

   d. Provide regular operation-specific environmental performance reviews and assessments that involve the base as a whole, and develop plans to address actual or potential noncompliance situations.

   e. Promote the conservation and sustainable use of the natural and manmade materials.

4. Compliance with this Environmental Commitment Statement is the responsibility of every member of the 148th Fighter Wing community, including outside contractors, in accordance with his or her role and responsibilities. This environmental assurance statement is made available to the public via the 148 FW public website, http://www.148fw.ang.af.mil

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