SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENTAL and ENERGY POLICY STATEMENT

As the Nation’s maritime first responder, executing the Coast Guard’s diverse and far-reaching missions requires adaptability, sustainability, and resilience. We are a ready and responsive regulatory and environmental enforcement organization, and our services depend on a commitment to address threats directly, while protecting and safeguarding our natural and economic resources and our environment.

We remain dedicated to both protecting and safeguarding our natural resources and the economic value of the maritime domain. As we elevate mission effectiveness, organizational risks, environmental impact and fiscal consequences into our daily leadership decisions, all Coast Guard members shall:

- Perform daily operational and support duties with a purpose that includes a personal commitment to environmental protection and energy conservation.
- Strive to reduce impacts to our operations from foreseeable environmental and energy constraints;
- View energy and environmental management solutions from both a Coast Guard and Departmental perspective to maximize efficiency and reduce impacts;
- Strive to optimize investment opportunities to reduce environmental and energy risks to current and future operations, support configuration standards for improved reliability, adaptability, and reduced life-cycle costs;
- Enhance energy and infrastructure resilience to improve our security from manmade and natural disasters, extending our capabilities across all missions; and

I expect every member of our total workforce to remain vigilant in our commitment to environmental sustainability and energy conservation. We will be stewards of the environment, deserving of our Nation’s trust and confidence.

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