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Environmental Management Policy

NEIC commits to identify and manage the actual and potential environmental impacts of its operations and decisions, and to continually improve its environmental performance through use of a formal environmental management system (EMS). It is NEIC's Environmental Management Policy to:

- Comply with applicable federal, state, and local environmental laws, regulations, requirements, Agency Directives, and Executive Orders;
- Integrate source reduction, pollution prevention, sustainable practices, and continual improvement of environmental performance into our activities, work products, and services;
- Apply pollution prevention-oriented approaches to the management of our significant environmental aspects and their environmental impacts;
- Measure our progress toward our environmental goals;
- Communicate and share information on our EMS, including our environmental management policy, significant environmental aspects, and environmental goals, to all interested parties within and outside of NEIC;
- Serve as a model of environmental stewardship by reducing our environmental impact footprint. Promote sustainable design in new construction and major renovations consistent with the *Guiding Principles for Federal Leadership in High Performance and Sustainable Buildings (Guiding Principles)*.

NEIC's EMS provides the framework to achieve our environmental goals while supporting the Agency's mission through the proper management of the environmental impacts of our activities, work products, and services. The EMS establishes measurable environmental goals, objectives, and targets that are regularly reviewed and updated. The status of the EMS is evaluated by NEIC management during the annual NEIC Management Review. NEIC management is committed to providing adequate resources and support for the EMS and for its continual improvement.

Application

This policy shall apply to NEIC employees, contractors, and grantees engaged in work at NEIC.

This policy contains direction developed solely to provide internal guidance to NEIC employees. The policy set forth does not create any rights, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law by a party to litigation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or the United States.

Associated NEIC EMS Documents

Manual: *Environmental Management System*, NEICMANL/06-001

Procedure: *Identification of Significant Environmental Aspects*, NEICPROC/06-003