

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Office of the Regional Administrator

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

Environmental Management System Policy for the Region 6 Dallas/Addison/El Paso

Facilities

FROM:

Ron Curry

Regional Administrator

TO:

All EPA Region 6/NOWCC Enrollees/Contractor Employees

This Environmental Policy memorandum serves as a reaffirmation of commitment the Region 6 (Dallas/Addison/El Paso) facilities have toward environmental stewardship and sustainable management of its operations. Together with the Administrator and other regional offices and laboratories, including Houston, we are committed to our Environmental Management System (EMS) as the integrating structure for this effort, as well as compliance with legal requirements, environmental and energy statutes, regulations and executive orders.

We continue to lead our efforts in promoting environmental stewardship in our offices under Executive Order 13514, *Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance* (October 5, 2009). Energy conservation, pollution prevention, waste reduction and recycling, reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and green purchasing, as well as identifying significant environmental aspects and saving resources all form integral parts of the regional EMS.

The Region 6 facilities have established and maintained our EMS since October 2005. We work toward continual improvement with the help of an internal cross-divisional EMS team, along with a national workgroup of EMS coordinators. The commitment of these individuals, as well as the employees in Region 6 facilities, will ensure successful attainment of our environmental performance goals.

I ask that all managers, supervisors, employees, contractors and senior environmental employee program enrollees continue to keep our Environmental Policy a high priority during daily operations and long-term planning. Our commitment extends to reviewing objectives and targets on a continual basis. All employees should take pride in our pursuit of protecting human health and the environment.

If you have any questions, please contact Julia M. Alderete, EMS Coordinator for the Region 6 facilities, at (214) 665-7321, or via email at alderete.julia@epa.gov.