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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

SOFB-DPW (200-1a)

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SUBJECT: Policy Memorandum No. 34 - Fort Buchanan Environmental Management

1. References:

- a. AR 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, February 1997.
- b. AR 385-10, The Army Safety Program, May 1998.
- c. *Installation Environmental Program Management Guide*, 2002.
- d. *Leader's Guide to Force Protection Through Risk Management*, October 1995.

2. Environmental protection and safety are essential elements in the mission of the US Army and Fort Buchanan. This installation is committed to conduct operations that are safe and environmentally acceptable. Successfully blending the military mission with a commitment to safety and environmental stewardship is Army policy. In keeping with this policy, Fort Buchanan strives to proactively address environmental and safety issues by communicating with neighboring communities and various interested parties.

3. To demonstrate our commitment to environmental protection and safety, Fort Buchanan has established the following principles to provide the framework upon which environmental and safety objectives are based:

- a. Fort Buchanan is committed to protecting its natural, cultural and human resources.
- b. Fort Buchanan is committed to continual improvement of environmental and safety management practices through the use of best available technology and best management practices, where cost-effective and economically feasible.
- c. Fort Buchanan is committed to pollution prevention and will promote resource conservation through waste stream reduction, recycling of materials, and energy conservation.

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- d. Fort Buchanan is committed to operational safety through the management of risk.
 - e. Fort Buchanan is committed to compliance with federal, state, local and U.S. Army environmental and safety regulations, policies, and applicable guidelines and standard practices.
4. This policy is directive in nature; therefore, all Fort Buchanan Tenants, Units and personnel in a supervisory role must be aware of this policy and subsequently inform all subordinates.
 5. Fort Buchanan senior leaders will establish and set the standards by example and demonstrate personal commitment to the achievement of the goals and principles listed above. Supervisors and commanders shall ensure environmental and safety awareness is incorporated into training curricula for installation personnel.
 6. The principal review mechanism of Fort Buchanan's environmental and safety management policy, performance, priorities, strategies, and programs are the Environmental Quality Control Committee.
 7. This memorandum supercedes Policy Memorandum No. 34 – Fort Buchanan Environmental Management, dated 28 February 2001.
 8. The DPW Environmental Division is responsible to manage and supervise the environmental program and ensure the implementation of all compliance action following the applicable Federal, State, Army, and local regulations. Point of contact for this matter is Felix M. Mariani, Chief Environmental Division, telephone (787) 707-3508 or email: marianif@usarso.army.mil.

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