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U.S. ARMY (IDR) GARRISON ANSBACH
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Appointment of Unit Environmental Compliance Officer (ECO) or Unit Environmental Point of Contact (Env POC)

1. References.

- a. AR-200-1, chapter 1, section 2, para. 1-28, (f), 13 December 2007.
- b. USAG Ansbach Environmental Policy, Memorandum # 8, 20 January 2010.
- c. USAG Ansbach Environmental Management System Roles and Responsibilities Procedure, 15 July 2009.

2. Background.

a. The above references require that all tactical military units, Garrison operations, and tenant organizations appoint and maintain an Environmental Compliance Officer (ECO) or Environmental Point of Contact (Env POC).

b. In December 2009, the USAG Ansbach was audited by the Installation Management Command- Europe Region during an external Environmental Performance Assessment System cycle. A lack of designated ECOs or Env POCs for each company, activity, or Garrison division was identified as a major deficiency found during the last external EPAS, which may have been the root cause of other deficiencies. These identified areas of deficiency affect the efficient and effective continuation of mission-related activities.

3. Tasker. All USAG Ansbach units (to the field-company level), tenant activities, and Garrison divisions are requested to provide one ECO or Env POC and one alternate by filling out the two page enclosure and returning it to the POC of paragraph 7. If someone in your unit/organization has already received environmental training and has at least one year remaining here, then that person could be a good candidate.

4. Responsibilities. The ECO/ Env POC will be responsible for ensuring unit, Garrison division, or tenant activity environmental compliance and awareness actions take place within his/her organizational level.

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a. As appropriate, the ECO/ Env POC should carry out the responsibilities of hazardous material/ hazardous waste coordinator, recycling coordinator and Environmental Management System POC. The ECO/ Env POC will also serve as environmental POC during unit movement activities, including but not limited to deployment, re-deployment, and training maneuvers.

b. The Garrison will streamline environmental training for the ECO/Env POC to cover all requirements in efforts to minimize tactical environmental burden and increase the efficiency of information dissemination.


5. Rank. The designated ECO/ Env POC and alternate may be of any rank, but the individual(s) must have sufficient understanding of mission-related operations and authority in his/her organization such that implementation of environmental regulations and pollution prevention measures are followed.

6. Period. In the event that the appointed ECO/ Env POC and alternate leave USAG Ansbach, unit Commanders, Division Chiefs, or activity Supervisors are responsible to appoint new personnel in writing to fulfill these duties.

7. The USAG Ansbach is committed to the continual improvement of environmental management across the Garrison.

8. Contact. Please forward the attached, completed appointment memo to the DPW-Environmental Management Division (EMD) POC, Gerda Koss at: DSN 467-2774 or gerda.koss@eur.army.mil.

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