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SUBJECT: Environmental Management System (EMS) Implementation

E.O. 13423 includes a detailed and specific standard for an EMS to meet before it is considered fully implemented. Per consultation with the Office of the Federal Environmental Executive (OFEE), the required implementation date for a Department of Defense EMS appropriate facility identified prior to January 24, 2007 has been extended to December 31, 2009. This date also applies to any EMS that was in-place at the time, but has since been combined with another EMS(s). Implementation dates for new EMSs (appropriate facility or organizational) identified after January 24, 2007 will be set after consultation between DUSD(ESOH) and OFEE.

OFEE has requested that DoD track intermediate implementation progress through the OMB scorecards. For each Scorecard report, DoD will need to report the number of sites completing implementation in the past six months and the number planned for implementation in the next six months. These Scorecards are published in January and July of each year. The January Scorecard reporting lines up with the End-Of-Year Environmental Management Review (EMR). The July Scorecard reporting nominally lines up with the Mid-Year EMR, but this may not always be a perfect fit.

No later than December 17, 2007 Components will provide a plan for EMS implementation that shows projected progress in six month intervals from January 2008 to completion. Progress against this plan will be reported by June 30th and December 31st of each year, or by the due date for EMR data, whichever is earliest. Components will also brief their progress at both the Mid-Year and End-Of-Year EMR.
I look forward to receiving your implementation plan electronically by December 17, 2007 and your semi-annual updates through the FY 2010 mid-year EMR. My point of contact is Lt Col Marc Hewett, (703) 604-1831, Marc.Hewett@osd.mil

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