MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER NAVAL FACILITIES ENGINEERING COMMAND

SUBJECT: Department of Navy Sustainable Buildings Policy

Ref: (a) Acting ASN (EI&E) memo dtd 10 Jun 11 (LEED® Gold for Military Construction Projects)
(b) Acting DUSD (I&E) memo dtd 10 Nov 13 (DoD Sustainable Buildings Policy)
(c) DoD Unified Facilities Criteria (UFC), High Performance and Sustainable Building Requirements (UFC 1-200-02)

This policy supersedes reference (a). Effective this date, DON will comply with references (b) and (c). Reference (b) provides that it is DoD policy to site, design, build, operate, maintain, re-use, and demolish facilities in a sustainable manner to minimize the resources they consume, maximize the benefits they provide, and minimize the wastes they generate. Reference (c) defines the minimum requirements and guidance for High Performance and Sustainable Buildings in the planning, design and construction, renovation, repair, maintenance and operation, and equipment installation in new and existing facilities. DON shall only pursue greater energy and water efficiency when it reduces total ownership cost of the facility, or preserves or increases mission effectiveness with projected resource scarcity.

Naval Facilities Engineering Command shall establish an auditable process to ensure applicable new buildings and major renovations meet the minimum sustainable design requirements as defined in reference (c).

DON is fully committed to the construction of high performance and sustainable facilities and considers this new policy to be a step forward towards ensuring more efficient building systems that reduce energy and water use. My point of contact is Captain Keith Autry, OPDASN (EI&E), (703) 614-0898 or keith.autry@navy.mil.

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