"WARRIORS ARE EFFICIENT ON THE BATTLEFIELD AND IN GARRISON."

In addition to the Federal and DoD energy and water reduction mandates, Headquarters Marine Corps declared energy conservation to be a top priority and issued the "Bases to Battlefield" Expeditionary Energy Strategy and Implementation Plan. In line with this plan and our efforts to attain energy reduction goals, the following energy and water conservation measures are outlined for personnel aboard Marine Corps Base Hawaii. This effort does not happen without you, so I am asking for your help in making energy and water efficiency a reality.

- Turn off unnecessary lights during the workday. Limit lighting to levels necessary to conduct normal business and safe operations. Turn off all lighting (except emergency lighting) at the end of the workday and on weekends. Turn off or report outdoor lights that are on during daylight hours.

- Limit air conditioning operational hours to a maximum of five (5) hours per day for window air conditioning units, ductless split-systems, and air conditioning systems controlled by the occupants. Flexible start and stop times are authorized.

- Set air conditioner thermostats at 76 degrees Fahrenheit or higher. Programmable thermostats should be set-back to 83 degrees or higher during unoccupied periods. The Facilities Department will reset central air conditioning system temperature controls accordingly.

- Humidity for air conditioned spaces should be set as low as practical, with a target of 65% maximum relative humidity.

- Power-down computer monitors and peripherals at the end of the workday. If you are not going to use your personal computer for more than 30 minutes, turn off the monitor.

- Do not water lawns or irrigate between 0800 and 1800. Lawn watering is allowed two (2) times a week, from May to October, and once a week from November to April, either from 0600 to 0800 or 1800 to 2000. Watering two or three days a week is authorized for the Manana and Pu'ulua areas which receive less rainfall. Irrigation is permitted only for plantings, not for pavements. Adjust watering systems to avoid over-irrigation and report irrigation water waste to the Facilities Department or Family Housing (for family housing areas).

- Assign Unit Utility Energy Managers and Building Energy Monitors, and empower them to implement the utilities conservation and energy management program, including monthly building energy audits and recurring unit-level utility efficiency education.

I ask you to keep a watchful eye out for other energy and water savings opportunities and communicate efficiency ideas to the Facilities Department. I am extremely confident that with the help of our Marines, Sailors and civilians who live and work aboard Marine Corps Base Hawaii, we can make the most effective use of our precious resources and minimize waste.

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