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BASE ORDER 11090.3

From: Commanding General
To: Distribution List

Subj: Operation and Maintenance of Oil Pollution Abatement Facilities

Ref: (a) NPDES Permit No. NC0003239, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune (NOTAL)
(b) Clean Water Act (NOTAL)
(c) BO 11090.1B

1. Purpose. To publish responsibilities for the operation and maintenance of pollution abatement facilities required to be in compliance with federal and state water quality standards established under references (a) and (b).

2. Background

a. Reference (c) established policy and procedures regarding the prevention and abatement of pollution resulting from accidental spills or unauthorized discharge of petroleum oil and lubricants (POLs) (e.g., diesel fuel, kerosene, lube oil, etc.) and other hazardous material or waste (e.g., mogas, paint, solvents, acid, etc.). Addressees should be aware that a major part of the oil related pollutants being discharged into storm drains and streams comes from washrack runoff and from maintenance shops where leaks and spills of POLs during routine maintenance operations are not adequately controlled and cleaned up.

b. Facilities are being constructed at Camp Lejeune and Marine Corps Air Station (Helicopter), New River to provide compliance with references (a) and (b). These facilities connect oil contaminated wastewater drainage lines to the sanitary sewer. Oil/water separators, grit chambers, storm-water storage tanks and related devices are provided to reduce the amount of POLs in the wastewater and to prevent relatively small oil spills from entering and damaging the sanitary sewer and sewage treatment plants. Maintenance shops and other facilities constructed in the future must be equipped with pollution abatement devices in order to comply with reference (a).

c. Explosions, gases, fumes, etc. resulting from discharge of gasoline and other flammable or hazardous material into the sanitary sewer present a serious threat to personnel safety and may result in severe damage to facilities and equipment. Further, excessive quantity of POLs entering the sanitary sewer will have a significant impact on effective sewage treatment thus causing a violation of environmental standards. Such discharges (spills) are regulated by reference (c) and must be reported to the Base Fire Department (451-3333), immediately.

d. Washracks and related pollution abatement structures for tactical and tracked vehicles present ongoing maintenance problems due to the amount of soil washed from vehicles. Drainlines on all devices are relatively small in order to control rate of storm-water entering sewer. Keeping these drains open and flowing will require proper operation and routine maintenance.

3. Responsibilities. Operation, maintenance and repair of pollution abatement facilities:

a. Using organization will:

(1) Train personnel to operate pollution abatement facilities located at the work site.

(2) Ensure that cans, oil filters, rags, brushes, litter or other foreign objects are not discarded on washracks or into oil/water separators, grit chambers, storm-water bypass chambers, storm-water storage tanks, etc.

(3) Ensure that used oil is disposed of into properly marked waste oil containers and not on the ground or into oil/water separators, grit chambers, storm-water bypass chambers, etc.

(4) Ensure that neither gasoline nor hazardous waste (e.g., solvents, degreasers, paint, etc.) are disposed of into waste oil tanks/collection systems.

(5) Clean up oil contaminated soil at the work site (contact Base Maintenance Division 451-2083/1690 for disposal instructions).

(6) Notify Base Maintenance Division (451-3001) of required maintenance and repair. Marine Corps Air Station (Helicopter), New River commands will notify the Station S-4 Officer of any required maintenance and repair.

(7) Notify Base Maintenance Division (451-5909) of waste oil containers that require emptying.

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b. Base Maintenance Officer will:

(1) Provide periodic inspection of maintenance and operation of pollution abatement facilities and initiate action to correct maintenance discrepancies. Report operational deficiencies to the using organizational commanding officer. Close the facility when it is apparent that continued operation will immediately jeopardize the capability of the sewage treatment facility.

(2) Service used (waste) oil collection facilities to include pumping out oil storage tanks at regular intervals and initiating action required to maintain and repair tanks and related signs, funnels, gauges and drainlines.

(3) Service oil/water separators, grit chambers, storm-water bypass chambers and storm-water storage tanks to include removing oily waste and solids, unclogging drainlines and initiating action to make needed repairs.

(4) Operate, maintain and repair wastewater lift stations and related mechanical equipment.

(5) Operate, maintain and repair pollution abatement facilities associated with swimming pools, heating plants and water treatment plants.

c. Public Works Officer will:

(1) Incorporate appropriate pollution abatement devices and structures in facilities constructed aboard Camp Lejeune, as required to provide compliance with the requirements of references (a), (b) and (c).

(2) Review planned pollution abatement devices and structures with appropriate representatives of the Base Maintenance Officer in order to ensure compatibility with existing sewage collection and treatment facilities and maintenance programs.

4. Action. Commanding Officers/area commanders will take action required to assure that organizations and personnel assigned to shops and other facilities equipped with washracks, waste oil collection systems, oil/water separators and related pollution abatement structures are aware of the requirements of this Order. Commanding officers will investigate cases of unauthorized discharge (spills) of POLs or other hazardous material/waste by individuals or organizations within their cognizance and take action required to avoid recurrence of the discharge.

5. Applicability. Having received the concurrence of the Commanding Generals, 2d Marine Division, FMF; 2d Force Service Support Group, (Rein), FMFLANT; and the Commanding Officers of the Marine Corps Air Station (Helicopter), New River and tenant units; Naval Regional Medical Center; and Naval Regional Dental Center, this Order is applicable to those Commands.

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