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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

CENWD-SO (385)

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MEMORANDUM FOR All Northwestern Division Employees

SUBJECT: NWD Policy Memorandum #3-02, Safety and Occupational Health

1. As the Commander of the Northwestern Division, I am the Senior Safety and Occupational Health Officer for the command.
2. Safety and occupational health considerations must be integrated into your workplaces and all that you do for the Corps of Engineers. All accidents and occupational illnesses are preventable. No activity is so urgent that safety and occupational health can be ignored as an expedient to completing the activity.
3. People have a right to a safe and healthful environment. We must continue to emphasize safety and occupational health by providing a safe and healthful environment for our government and contractor employees, as well as our customers and the general public.
4. Our goal is to effectively integrate the following principles (summarized from AR 385-10, The Army Safety Program) into all Northwestern Division plans, programs, decision processes, operations, and activities:
 - a. Prevent accidents and occupational illnesses.
 - b. Employ risk management approaches at every level of decision making to effectively preclude unacceptable risk to the safety and health of personnel and damage or loss of property.
 - c. Maximize the use of engineering design to preclude or control unacceptable risks when acquiring materials, equipment, facilities, and systems.
 - d. Consider life cycle safety and health concerns when acquiring, using, and disposing of chemicals and hazardous materials so as not to endanger or compromise public safety and health.
 - e. Take appropriate action to expeditiously correct deficiencies and eliminate hazards.
 - f. Incorporate safety and occupational health performance into performance evaluations of all employees.

CENWD-SO

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5. I shall assure the positive and aggressive implementation of this policy through the Northwestern Division Safety and Occupational Health Program.

6. This policy supersedes CENWD-SO memorandum dated 7 May 2001, same subject.



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