



**ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
POLICY STATEMENT
For the
SCIENCE AND ECOSYSTEM TECHNOLOGY CENTER (SETC)**

It is the policy of the Environmental Protection Agency, Science & Ecosystem Technology Center, Science & Ecosystem Support Division to continually improve our environmental management practices and procedures through defining, developing, implementing, and reviewing processes to meet our environmental obligations. An effective Environmental Management System (EMS) is built upon the ideas of enhancing our organization's practice of environmental stewardship and of employing preventive measures that promote a safe and healthy environment.

Our EMS is designed to lessen the SETC's environmental footprint by:

- Continuing to identify aspects/impacts of environmental management at SETC
- Decreasing our energy consumption and improving our water conservation efforts
- Expanding our recycling program and pollution prevention efforts
- Reducing harmful emissions/air pollution by decreasing petroleum and increasing alternative fuel consumption through our Fleet Management Program
- Continuing to purchase green products through our Affirmative Procurement Program
- Training and involving every employee in the EMS process

To the extent possible, this policy fulfills the requirements set forth in Executive Orders 13514 and 13423. This policy statement will be revisited and revised as deemed appropriate by management.

The following officials have reviewed and approved this EMS policy.

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