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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On 7 July 1992, the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Environmental Security appointed COMUSJAPAN as Executive Agent for environmental matters in Japan. A major Executive Agent responsibility was to develop Japan Environmental Governing Standards (JEGS) which are consistent with applicable U.S. and Japanese environmental laws, base rights and the Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA), and other international agreements.

Completion of Japan Environmental Governing Standards (JFGS) for the Overseas Environmental Baseline Guidance Document (OEBGD) was the result of teamwork among all service components and installations within USFJ, the American Embassy, and Japanese governmental agencies.

The vision of JEGS is “Earth Day... Green Day... Every Day...”, “Think Globally...Act Locally... We Can Make a Difference...” and “Change the World in which We Live, and Enhance the Clean Environment for the Future of Our Generations to Come”.

Important mandates for special protocols are listed below:

a. Underground Storage Tank (UST)

(1) 1 January 1999: Existing hazardous substance tanks and piping should be upgraded or replaced to meet new requirements.

(2) 1 October 2004: Existing Petroleum, Oil, and Lubricants (POL) USTs and piping should be either closed if not needed, upgraded or replaced to meet new requirements.

b. Lead-Based Paint (LBP)

(1) 1 January 1998: Twenty-five percent of the target facilities (built between 1960 and 1978) will be tested by quantitative method.

(2) 1 January 2000: Fifty percent of the target facilities will be tested.

(3) 1 January 2002: The remaining fifty percent of the target facilities will be tested.

JFGS is the sole source document of environmental compliance and requirements, and the primary source document of environmental guidance and standards for service components in Japan.

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REPORTS, TRAINING AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS	
TASKS	SUSPENSE DATE
(a) Submit an annual Environmental Summary Report (ESR) which includes external audit dates, environmental training and education requirements.	1 Jul Each Year
(b) Revalidate JFGS every two years for new laws, technology, and trends. (Note: Comments may be submitted to USFJ/J42E at any time for consideration).	1 Oct Every Two Years
(c) Submit proposed changes to implement JFGS to USCINCPAC/DUSD-ES through USFJ/J42E (Note: Ensure adequate justification provided)	As Needed

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