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**MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ACQUISITION,
TECHNOLOGY, AND LOGISTICS**

SUBJECT: Strengthening America's Security and Improving the Environment

The President recently signed an Executive Order (EO) highlighting the importance of energy efficiency – EO 13423: “Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy, and Transportation Management.” The EO directs all components of the Federal Government to reduce oil consumption in fleet vehicles, increase the use of renewable and alternate energy sources, improve energy efficiency in buildings and purchase environmentally sound products.

As the federal leader in the use of renewable energy, alternative fueled vehicles, and reduced facility energy consumption, the Department has set and should continue to set an example by aggressively implementing the guidance outlined in the EO. In addition, the Department should consider energy efficiency and the ability to use alternative sources in its weapons platforms and tactical vehicles, as identified by the Energy Security Task Force in September 2006, where practical.

To implement the EO, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics (USD(AT&L)) will develop and implement necessary policies and guidance to support implementation. In addition, the USD(AT&L) should continue the efforts of the Energy Security Task Force by implementing the findings and monitoring implementation.

The Secretaries of the Military Departments are to nominate three cost-effective options to reduce energy consumption or increase the use of alternative fuels and provide them to the USD(AT&L) by March 9, 2007.

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