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SUBJ: ARSC TEAM WINS WHITE HOUSE ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD

A. COMDT COGARD WASHINGTON DC 131504Z DEC 13/ALCOAST 619/05

1. I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT COAST GUARD AIRCRAFT REPAIR AND SUPPLY CENTER (ARSC) HAS WON A WHITE HOUSE CLOSING THE CIRCLE (CTC) AWARD. THE CTC AWARDS RECOGNIZE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FACILITIES FOR DEMONSTRATING EXEMPLARY ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP. ARSC WAS RECOGNIZED FOR SIGNIFICANTLY LOWERING THEIR PRODUCTION OF HAZARDOUS WASTE BY USING CORN STARCH AS THEIR DRY BLAST MEDIA FOR PAINT AND COATING REMOVAL. COMPETITION FOR THIS AWARD WAS FORMIDABLE AND ARSC WAS THE ONLY UNIT WITHIN DHS TO WIN ONE OF THE 16 AWARDS PRESENTED BY THE WHITE HOUSE. BZ AND CONGRATULATIONS TO ARSC.

2. AS AN ENFORCER OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS, THE COAST GUARD IS UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO EXHIBIT STRONG ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP. I CHALLENGE EACH COAST GUARD EMPLOYEE AND COMMAND TO DEMONSTRATE ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP BY INCORPORATING ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS IN YOUR COMMAND STRATEGIES, YEARLY PLANNING AND DAILY ACTIONS. IN THIS WAY WE WILL LEAD BY EXAMPLE, BE A GOOD

NEIGHBOR AND FULFILL OUR ENVIRONMENTAL MARITIME STEWARDSHIP ROLE.

3. INTERNET RELEASE AUTHORIZED.

4. ADMIRAL T.W. ALLEN, COMMANDANT, SENDS.

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