GREEN PLAN POLICY STATEMENT

As a direct result of our commitment to assuring adequate, safe and efficient intermodal transportation facilities and services at reasonable cost to the citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Department of Transportation will play a leading role in the administration of environmental responsibility. The Department will demonstrate this leadership by committing to the following principles relative to the planning, design, construction, operation and maintenance of Pennsylvania's balanced intermodal transportation system:

Principle 1: Plan, design, build, operate and maintain a statewide transportation system that protects the environment, prevents pollution and uses resources efficiently.

Principle 2: Contribute to economic vitality and quality of life by applying sound environmental management practices which address the requirements of the public, users, carriers, industry and labor.

Principle 3: Comply with applicable environmental legislation and regulations.

Principle 4: Establish a program of review and continual improvement of environmental performance which accounts for technical and economic developments, scientific understanding, and significant environmental impacts.

Principle 5: Establish relevant and measurable objectives which endeavor to improve environmental performance and provide the means to gauge progress.

Principle 6: Ensure employees understand these principles as well as their priority, and are furnished with the means to fulfill them.

These principles are essential elements for the management of the Department as we enter the 21st century. As part of a fully integrated environmental management system, these principles should be incorporated into the policies, programs and practices of all Department of Transportation organizations.

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