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TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

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Mr. Kevin McGinnis
Director of Risk Management and Safety
The Texas A&M University System
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Dear Mr. McGinnis:

As part of the Texas A&M University System's initiative and Policy 24.01 requiring Environmental Management Systems (EMS) to be established at TAMUS member institutions, Tarleton State University's Environmental Advisory Council has developed the following policy statement:

As part of its mission to provide learning, research, and service, Tarleton State University is committed to serving as a responsible steward of the environment. We consequently commit to advocate environmental awareness, safety, and action; to respect and promote health, safety and well-being of all Tarleton constituents; and to manage our natural resources.

As part of this obligation, we will comply with all applicable laws and regulations and

- Conserve, protect, and maintain natural resources;
- Minimize adverse environmental impacts;
- Safeguard environmental health, safety, and well-being;
- Encourage the use of renewable, reusable, recyclable, and recycled materials;
- Reduce risks associated with the use and storage of hazardous substances;
- Develop strategies to minimize the generation of wastes and to encourage reuse and recycling;
- Promote environmentally responsible teaching, research, and outreach;
- Engage in environmental research and assessment;
- Encourage awareness of environmental issues; and
- Provide open communication about environmental concerns and the conservation of natural resources.

Tarleton is committed to being an environmentally responsible member of the Texas A&M University System. If you have questions or if additional information is needed, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

F. Dominic Dottavio, Ph.D.
President

c: Mr. Jerry Graham
Mr. Kent Styron