MEMORANDUM FOR: All NOAA Corps Officers

FROM: Rear Admiral David A. Score, NOAA
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SUBJECT: Uniform of the Day

Effective December 1, 2008, the Operational Dress Uniform (ODU) is an authorized alternate for all officers except those working at the Herbert C. Hoover building or visiting Capitol Hill on official business. The prescribed uniform for officers conducting official business on Capitol Hill is Service Dress Blue without substitutions and regardless of command. This memorandum applies to all other uniformed service members assigned to NOAA.

Also effective December 1, 2008, Service Khaki is an authorized alternate uniform for all officers, including those working at the Herbert C. Hoover Building, or conducting official business in non-NOAA facilities in the DC area. Flight Suits remain an authorized alternate uniform for those officers attached to Aircraft Operations Center, or otherwise in active flight status, only.

Effective the first Monday in April, the Uniform of the Day for the Spring-Summer period for all locations is Summer White. Effective the first Monday in October, the Uniform of the Day for the Fall-Winter period for all locations is Service Dress Blue.

Senior officers present in locations outside of the DC area are authorized to designate an alternate uniform as the Uniform of the Day for special occasions, events or visitors. Senior officers present may also designate the method of wear of ODU sleeves (down or rolled) to maintain uniformity within units. When meeting with the public, officials from other government agencies, or constituents, all officers should ensure that the uniform worn is appropriate to the circumstances.

All NOAA Corps officers shall wear the uniform properly and adhere to appearance standards in the NOAA Corps Directives, Chapter 12.