



THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
WASHINGTON

May 26, 2021

**MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARIES, ASSISTANT SECRETARIES AND  
OTHER KEY OFFICIALS**

**SUBJECT:** Update Designation of Chief Sustainability Officer with Authority to Perform Duties relating to the implementation of Executive Order (EO) 14008, Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad (VIEWS 4916603)

1. **DESIGNATION.** Pursuant to the designation dated July 17, 2018, the Executive Director of the Office of Asset Enterprise Management is the Chief Sustainability Officer (CSO) for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). This memorandum updates the 2018 designation to designate the CSO the authority to perform additional duties related to the implementation of EO 14008. The CSO shall perform the duties outlined in EO 14008, as well as other duties related to the implementation of EO 14008 as assigned by VA leadership, including the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Chief of Staff, and Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer. The CSO shall monitor VA activities to carry out the provisions of EO 14008 and report to VA leadership.
2. **AUTHORITY.** Section 211 of EO 14008, Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad, dated January 27, 2021. Section 7 of EO 13834, Efficient Federal Operations, dated May 17, 2018, authorizes the existing designation of the CSO.
3. **RESTRICTIONS.** None.
4. **REDESIGNATION.** None.
5. **EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE.** This designation is effective upon signature and will remain in effect until modified by another EO, or otherwise rescinded, modified or superseded.

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Denis McDonough