## RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe demonstrated its commitment to solving the solid waste problem on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, through its plan to build a tribal landfill and to finance the purchase of solid waste collection system equipment; and
- whereas, the annual operating costs for the planned solid waste system are estimated to be \$485,262, which includes funding for employee salaries, operation and maintenance, and payment for collection system equipment; and
- whereas, the Tribal Council desires to allow the continued operation of private waste haulers on the reservation for commercial trash pickup only, but that private waste haulers will be required to pay the Tribe's business operation fee and will be required to pay a tipping fee at the tribal landfill facility, the rate for which will be determined at a later date; and
- whereas, the Tribal Environmental Planning Office will take the necessary actions to ensure the private waste haulers do not bring off-reservation trash onto the reservation for disposal at the tribal landfill facility; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council desires that the Tribe itself operate the residential trash pickup and hauling system, providing weekly trash collection for the approximately 3,000 homes on the reservation; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council expresses the need to generate some reasonable amount of revenue from the Tribe's operation of the residential trash collection service.
- BEIT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby will allow the continued commercial pickup of trash by private waste haulers with disposal at the tribal landfill facility, but that a business operation fee will be set into place at the earliest possible date by the Tribal Legal Department and that a tipping fee will be charged for use of the tribal landfill by private waste haulers; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby prohibits the disposal of non-reservation trash at the tribal landfill facility, and that it hereby directs the Tribal Environmental Planning Office to take the necessary actions to ensure that private waste haulers do not bring off-reservation trash onto the reservation; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby sets a fee of \$5.00 per month per household for weekly trash pickup at reservation homes, to generate revenue needed to operate the solid waste system, and that it hereby the directs the Tribal Environmental Planning Office to work with the Tribal Utility Authority to include this \$5.00 per month trash pickup fee as part of the Utility Authority's monthly water and sewer billing statement to customers.

The foregoing resolution was on October 12, 1995, duly adopted by a vote of eight for and zero against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (c), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (m), (n), (q), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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