

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Nation Exercising Self-Governance Over the Fort Apache Indian Reservation

Resolution No. 09-2012-136

(Approving Participation in the Local Energy Assurance Planning Program)

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe"), as a federally recognized Indian tribal government, with inherent rights of self-governance, and pursuant to its Tribal Constitution, exercises rights of self-determination and self-governance through its duly elected Tribal Council ("Council"); and;
- WHEREAS, the Governor's Office of Energy Policy is helping to promote Local Energy Assurance Planning on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Reservation") by helping participants maneuver through the Ten Steps of Energy Assurance Planning; and
- WHEREAS, this voluntary planning program focuses on ensuring that the energy critical to essential services is available regardless of any type of disruption and helps local governments prepare for and mitigate events that affect energy supplies; and
- WHEREAS, in addition, this program will help participants to: (a) build local energy expertise, (b) develop awareness of impacts and dependencies, (c) identify energy vulnerabilities and deficiencies of critical assets, and (d) explore energy choices, including alternative resources that are reliable, safe, diverse, affordable and environmentally acceptable; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that it is in the best interest of the Tribe to participate in the Governor's Office of Energy's Local Energy Assurance Planning program.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Governor's Office of Energy Policy to help participants maneuver through the Ten Steps of Energy Assurance Planning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby supports the following Program Schedule:

Community Enrollment Deadline October 1, 2012 Planning Sessions October-December, 2012 Final Plan Writing February, 2013 Plan Review March-April, 2013 Plan Approval by Local Government April-July, 2013 Plan Exercise June, 2013

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, this Resolution shall be declared null and void and have no legal effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Acting Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution. In the event that the Chairman fails to delegate signatory authority to an Acting Chairman, the Vice-Chairman may sign.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>SEPTEMBER 5, 2012</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (i), (k), (s), (t) and (u) of the Tribal Constitution, 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).

Ronnie Lupe, Chairman

Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary

11-28-2012