Resolution No. USET 97:30

TRIBAL SOLID WASTE ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty-three (23) federally recognized tribes; and

WHEREAS, the actions taken by the USET, Inc. Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member Tribe, as the Board of Directors is comprised of delegates from the member tribes leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Division within EPA has the funding to support an association for Tribes on solid waste, similar to the State Association on Solid Waste; and

WHEREAS, such an association would be beneficial to Tribes by providing technical assistance and a voice to speak for all Tribes on solid waste issues; and

WHEREAS, EPA has met with Tribes and Tribal leaders throughout the nation to determine what Tribes and Tribal leaders would expect from such an association and how the association should be structured and managed; and

WHEREAS, the Tribes view this as a stepping stone to create a more comprehensive Association which would focus on all aspects of the environment rather than just solid waste issues; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the USET Board of Directors fully support the formation of a Tribal Solid Waste Association by EPA with the understanding that it not be limited to just Solid Waste Issues as time and money allow.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly approved at the USET Washington Impact Week meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, DC on Wednesday, February 5, 1997.

Keller George, President
United South & Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Beverly Wright, Secretary
United South & Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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