Resolution No. USET 2000:06

EPA, IHS, AND TASWER FUND AND CONDUCT A COMPOSTING WORKSHOP

WHEREAS, United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprising twenty-three (23) federally recognized tribes; and

WHEREAS, the actions taken by the USET Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member tribe, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member tribes' leadership; and

WHEREAS, the USET Member Tribes have a government-to-government relationship with the United States and its Federal Agencies; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need in Indian Country for Tribal decisions concerning proper and economic methods of solid waste management; and

WHEREAS, the technology exists for ways to convert and reuse some forms of solid waste and biosolids through composting; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) encourages, funds, and promotes solid waste management, and composting as a component of solid waste management; and

WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service (IHS) has solid waste management as one of its objectives to provide Health Services in Indian Country; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Association of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (TASWER) was formed to provide technical and management expertise and training in solid waste management practices to Indian Tribes throughout the United States; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors hereby requests that EPA, IHS, and TASWER provide the funds necessary to conduct the composting workshop; be it further

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors hereby requests that EPA, IHS, and TASWER hold a composting workshop for USET member Tribes to provide management and technical expertise for composting in order to reduce the demand on Tribal landfills and reuse and recycle the composted material.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Board of Directors Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Verona, NY Thursday, October 28, 1999.

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

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

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