

## United South and Eastern Tribes, inc.

Resolution No. USET 2000:06

## EPA, IHS, AND TASWER FUNDAND 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

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