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

- whereas, pursuant to Resolution No. 08-87-258, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe authorized Ted Wilbert of Wilbert Associates, Inc. to act in the name of the White Mountain Apache Tribe for the purpose of researching the economic and physical feasibility of developing a pulp and paper mill project on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, in conjunction with said proposed project, the White Mountain Apache Tribe also recommitted its residual and pulpwood chips to said proposed project by contract with Ted Wilbert of Wilbert Associates, Inc.; and
- whereas, pursuant to Resolution No. 09-89-231 the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe granted an extension until December 31, 1990 on the residual and pulpwood chips contracts with Ted Wilbert of Wilbert Associates, Inc. and the Tribal Council hereby reaffirms the same; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe continues to be committed to the objectives of said proposed project; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is advised that the physical feasibility of developing a pulp and papermill project in the White Mountains appears promising and although said mill may not be located on the reservation, it would nevertheless be located within the White Mountains in the proximity of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
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- whereas, the Tribal Council desires that any proposal developed as part of the paper mill project include provisions for employment of tribal members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe in all phases of the operation of the related facilities and woods operation, including construction of said mill and that provisions providing for needed transportation from the tribal communities of Whiteriver and Cibecue to the papermill facilities be provided for; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is also desirous that any proposal developed as part of the paper mill project include provisions for utilizing enterprises of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and their products in all phases of the construction of the related facilities; and
- whereas, any proposal developed as part of the papermill project should include the purchase of residual chips from the tribal sawmill, roundwood from the tribal forest, and a source of water supply from the White Mountain Apache Tribe at appraised fair market value.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache
 Tribe that it hereby reaffirms its interest and
 commitment to the objectives and completion of the
 proposed pulp and paper mill project whether said project
 is located on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation or the
 White Mountains in the proximity of the reservation.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that any proposal developed in furtherance of the pulp and papermill project should include provisions for employment of members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe in all phases of the operation and construction of the related facilities and woods operations and transportation as needed from the tribal communities of Whiteriver and Cibecue to the papermill facilities.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that any proposal developed as part of the papermill and pulp project

should include provisions for utilizing enterprises of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and their products in all phases of the construction of related facilities, and the purchase of residual chips from the tribal sawmill, roundwood from the tribe's forest and water from the White Mountain Apache Tribe at appraised fair market value.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that any proposals developed in contemplation of the papermill project should also anticipate that the White Mountain Apache Tribe may be interested in purchasing an equity position in said papermill project either through the direct investment of funds or equivalent value thereof in the form of raw materials.

The foregoing resolution was on August 1, 1990, duly adopted by a vote of <u>SEVEN</u> for and <u>THREE</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (i) of the Amended Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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