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

- WHEREAS, in June of 2000 the White Mountain Apache Tribe received a grant from the Administration for Native Americans to perform energy planning tasks; and
- WHEREAS, that grant will expire April 30, 2002; and
- WHEREAS, many aspects of utility/energy management exist that were outside the scope of he grant program; and
- WHEREAS, other sources of grant funding exist that may be available to the Tribe for these purposes; and
- WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Tribe to apply for these funds, if appropriate to the Tribe's circumstances; and
- WHEREAS, on February 25, 2002, the Department of Energy (DOE) announced the availability of grant funds for tribal renewable energy feasibility and implementation projects (Solicitation Number DE-PS36-02G092006); and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal staff agree that a cogeneration project for FATCO has the greatest potential for funding by DOE, as well as the widest array of benefits for the Tribe, if funded; and
- WHEREAS, a cogeneration facility could provide electricity, increase the economic stability of FATCO, and provide a mechanism for consuming FATCO's wood-by-products and timber cut as a result of Tribal Forestry's thinning program; and
- WHEREAS, a feasibility study evaluating the economic sustainability of a cogeneration facility at FATCO is needed before the Tribe or FATCO can proceed to consider construction of such a facility; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Attorney and Tribal Engineer can assign Tribal staff to complete the grant application process; and
- WHEREAS, this DOE program requires no Tribal cost share for feasibility projects.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Legal and Engineering/Planning Departments, through the Tribal Attorney

and Tribal Engineer, to assign personnel to take all necessary steps to apply for DOE feasibility project funding for a cogeneration facility at FATCO through Solicitation Number DE-PS36-02G092006.

The foregoing resolution was on March 21, 2002 duly adopted by a vote of EIGHT for and ZERO against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (f), (h), (j), (s), (t), and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, 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).

Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council