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South Phoenix Manufacturer to Pay \$40,000 Penalty to Resolve Hazardous Waste Violations in Storage, Handling of Containers

PHOENIX (Jan. 25, 2011) – The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and Arizona Attorney General's Office announced today that a South Phoenix-based manufacturer has agreed to pay a \$40,000 penalty under a consent judgment for hazardous waste violations.

Simula Inc., currently owned by BAE Systems Aerospace & Defense Group, Inc., was cited for 11 violations including improper storage of hazardous waste in unclosed containers, storage of hazardous waste without a permit and in improperly marked containers, and failing to submit signed manifests for shipment of hazardous waste. The company is located at 7822 S. 46th Street in Phoenix.

"The improper management of hazardous waste puts employees and the community at risk. BAE has since improved its business practices and we hope this settlement is a new beginning," ADEQ Acting Director Henry Darwin said.

"Any company handling hazardous waste needs to rigorously comply with state standards to protect the health of our citizens and our environment," Attorney General Tom Horne said.

The consent judgment is subject to court approval.