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## **ADEQ Announces Free Electronics Waste Recycling Events for Navajo Nation at Tuba City, Kayenta on Saturday, Oct. 27**

PHOENIX (Oct. 16, 2012) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality officials announced today that they will sponsor two free electronic waste recycling events on the Navajo Nation in the communities of Kayenta and Tuba City on Saturday, Oct. 27 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. The Kayenta event will be held at the old concrete yard of Kayenta Township on Transfer Station Road and the Tuba City event will be at To’Nanees’Dizi Chapter House, 220 Main Street.

ADEQ and its partners – To’Nanees’Dizi Chapter, Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency, Navajo Nation Solid Waste Management Program, Kayenta Township, Navajo County and E-Waste Harvesters of Phoenix -- anticipate collecting tons of unwanted televisions, computer equipment, monitors, batteries, chargers, phones, VCRs, CD and DVD players, printers, small appliances, fax machines, stereos, cameras, cables and cords at the event. Other items that will be accepted include calculators, camcorders, clocks and radios, digital recorders, electric typewriters, fans, heaters, lamps, microwaves, public address systems, projectors, routers, satellite receivers, speakers, tape recorders, transcriber equipment, GPS equipment, label makers, Ipods/Ipads/MP3s, vacuums, walkie talkies and walkmans.

No refrigerators will be accepted at either venue. For more information about the Kayenta event, call (928) 337-3565 or (928) 697-8451 and, for the Tuba City event, (928) 283-3284 or (602) 771-2215.

“We are very excited about sponsoring these electronic waste recycling events for the first time to serve a large swath of the northern part of the Navajo Nation and welcome all area residents to attend,” said ADEQ Director Henry Darwin. “This is a great opportunity for people to dispose of all the unwanted electronics they have collected over the years while at the same time ensuring that this potentially toxic stream of waste is disposed of responsibly and does not take up valuable landfill space.”

Companies and individuals donating e-waste will receive a certificate of disposal for their records from E-Waste Harvesters if they want the document. E-Waste Harvesters will erase all hard drives with state of the art software and the company recycles all materials in accordance with state and federal regulations.

ADEQ has sponsored 71 events throughout the state since August 2009 and collected almost 1.75 million pounds from more than 12,000 vehicles attending the events.

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