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ADEQ Announces Free Electronics Waste Recycling Event in Apache Community of Whiteriver for Friday, September 27

PHOENIX (Sept. 16, 2013) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality officials announced today that they will sponsor a free electronic waste recycling collection event in the White Mountain Apache community of Whiteriver on Friday, Sept. 27 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the tribal public works yard, 1322 South Industrial Road.

ADEQ and its partners – The White Mountain Apache Tribe Environmental Protection Office 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. For more information about the event, call (928) 338-4267 or (928) 337-3565.

“We are very excited about sponsoring an electronic waste recycling event on Apache tribal land for the first time,” 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 90 events throughout the state since August 2009 and collected nearly 2.3 million pounds of e-waste at the events.