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## **ADEQ Announces Fifth Free Electronics Waste Recycling Event for Lake Havasu City at City Hall Saturday, Feb. 8**

PHOENIX (Jan. 23, 2014) – Arizona Department of Environmental Quality officials announced today that the fifth annual Lake Havasu City free electronics waste recycling event will be held Saturday, Feb. 8 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the Police Station parking lot, 2360 McCulloch Blvd. North, across the street from City Hall.

ADEQ and its partners -- City of Lake Havasu City, Keep Havasu Beautiful Committee and E-Waste Harvesters of Phoenix -- anticipate collecting tons of unwanted televisions, computer equipment, monitors, batteries, chargers, cell phones, VCRs, CD and DVD players, printers, small appliances, fax machines, stereos, cables and cords during the event.

During the past four years, ADEQ, city workers and other volunteers have collected more than 58 tons – 117,249 pounds - of electronics waste from 1,045 vehicles, one of the most successful collection efforts that ADEQ has had in its statewide program.

“Lake Havasu City residents have embraced these annual events and made them very successful. We’re looking forward to our fifth year of this partnership,” ADEQ Director Henry Darwin said. “These events ensure that this potentially toxic stream of waste is disposed of responsibly and does not take up valuable landfill space.”

Doyle Wilson, Lake Havasu City’s Water Resources Coordinator, said he was excited about the electronics recycling event and the impact it will have on keeping electronic products out of the landfill.

“These events make a huge difference in the responsible disposal of electronics waste and take a bite out of the problem of illegal dumping in our area,” Wilson said. “We’re very happy once again to co-sponsor this event and offer the opportunity for our residents to get rid of their e-waste for free.”

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 recycles all material in accordance with state and federal regulations and will erase all hard drives received with state of the art software.

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