PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE TO THE ENSCO INCINERATION PROJECT

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Dear Friends,

We, as concerned Arizonans, are calling for the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, or the legislature, to perform an engineering feasibility study to explore important alternatives to incineration.

The EnSCO hazardous waste incineration project, currently in construction, should be reformed to make maximum use of biological processes and other EPA-recommended non-incineration methods to reduce the toxic and hazardous wastes before any incineration or landflling. Further, any incineration performed must result in no toxic or hazardous emissions. We are calling for an engineering feasibility study, to be done in full view of the public, and open to all leading waste management and bioprocessing companies and researchers.

The objective of this facility must be to handle Arizona's toxic wastes without hazardous emissions, achieve reasonable economy, provide safe recovered materials for industrial reuse, and act as a demonstration plant to help industries and communities set-up their own on-site facilities. We believe these objectives are realizable, since biological processes are economical in both small and large scale, and are proven in industry today. Further, subsequent resource recovery and sterilization methods have been proven in profit-making American industries.

We believe this is a reasonable way to get out of our potentially disastrous situation and to begin truly solving our waste problems. Let's challenge American industry to provide the service we need for Arizona's future.

Sincerely,

Concerned Arizonans