RESOLUTION NO. R 014 90

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE RESCINDING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 491

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 491 of the 134th General Assembly mandates that the Delaware Solid Waste Authority is directed to study, finance, design, develop, implement, and operate a material and energy recovery facility; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Solid Waste Authority is proposing to construct a trash incinerator at Jones Crossroads, Sussex County, Delaware; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency's new source performance standards for municipal waste combustors contains a provision for a mandatory twenty-five percent (25%) material separation program as an appropriate condition for an air permit to operate an incinerator; and

WHEREAS, the consultant selection report compiled by HDR Engineering, Inc., dated July 1989, indicates that the Delaware Solid Waste Authority may have some complexity in air permitting issues due to the site's close proximity to the Indian River Power Plant; and

WHEREAS, residents of Delaware have indicated their willingness to cooperate in separation and total recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, the Sussex County Igloo Program has illustrated the willingness of the residents of Delaware in participating in separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, Americans are now recycling six (6) out of every ten (10) aluminum beverage cans produced in the United States according to testimony before the United States Congress, House Ways and Means Committee; and

WHEREAS, nineteen (19) states currently have laws or regulations requiring recycling of minimum qualities of solid waste; and

WHEREAS, Delaware does not have any State sponsored recycling programs;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Sussex County Council has met in public session and encourages members of the 135th Delaware General Assembly to rescind House Bill No. 491 until the State of Delaware has established legislation that requires the Delaware Department of Energy and the Delaware Department of Natural Resources to develop programs to allow the citizens of the State of Delaware to participate in recycling programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution shall be delivered to The Honorable Michael N. Castle, Governor of the State of Delaware; The Honorable Richard S. Cordrey, President Pro Tempore, Delaware State Senate; and The Honorable Terry R. Spence, Speaker of the House, Delaware State House of Representatives.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF RESOLUTION NO. R 014 90 PASSED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF SUSSEX COUNTY ON THE 3RD DAY OF APRIL, 1990.

DORIS E. ROGERS

CLERK OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL