

Pima Association of Governments
Regional Council Resolution

**A Resolution by the Pima Association of Governments to Accept a Set of Options
Prepared by the Greater Tucson Strategic Energy Plan Working Group**

Whereas, in August 2005, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Pima Association of Governments (PAG) and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) was approved which established a partnership to help the Tucson region to position itself as a leader in the development of renewable energy, clean energy technologies, energy surety, green building techniques and sustainable technology policies and programs, initiative and development projects, and

Whereas, the MOU between PAG and DOE establishes that "...a clean, reliable, and affordable energy supply is critical to the prosperity of the community, the well being of its citizens, and the integrity of the environment" among other goals, and

Whereas, the MOU between PAG and DOE indicates that a crucial step in achieving the goals of the MOU is the development of a regional Strategic Energy Plan, and

Whereas, PAG established the Greater Tucson Strategic Energy Plan Working Group composed of members of the Tucson-Pima Metropolitan Energy Commission (MEC), members of the business community and the public, and

Whereas, since its inception, the Working Group has explored concepts to be included in a new Strategic Energy Plan for the greater Tucson region, and

Whereas, a set of options that identify specific measures that can be taken to move toward a more balanced energy future incorporating a greater reliance on conservation and alternative sources of energy has been developed and are being presented for consideration by PAG's Management Committee and the Regional Council.

Therefore Be It Resolved That:

The PAG Regional Council appreciates and commends the members of the Greater Tucson Strategic Energy Plan Working Group for their efforts in developing a document that provides a set of options relating to energy conservation and the greater utilization of alternate source of energy, and

The PAG Regional Council accepts the set of options developed by the working group as a "menu of choices" available to PAG jurisdictions which offer strategies to achieve a more balanced energy portfolio based on a greater reliance on alternative sources of energy and energy conservation thereby achieving the goals of the PAG/DOE MOU, and

The PAG Regional Council encourages each PAG jurisdiction to review and consider each recommendation for possible adoption and implementation.