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Citizens for Review of Medical & Infectious Waste Imports into Tehama County Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice

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Red Bluff Citizens and Greenaction Win David versus Goliath Victory in Marathon Appeal against InEnTec's Permits For Proposed Medical Waste Facility

Tehama County Air District Appeals Hearing Board Rescinds InEnTec's Permits in Dramatic 3-1 Vote

Residents to Place Issue on Ballot, Keep Up Fight until Final Victory

Red Bluff, CA -- In a dramatic late night vote, the Tehama County Air Pollution Control District's Appeal Hearing Board voted 3-1 last night to rescind the two Authorities to Construct Permits issued on July 13, 2005 to InEnTec Medical Services California LLC.

Dozens of residents attending the appeal hearing jumped to their feet in joy as the Hearing Board vote concluded. InEnTec, Air District staff and County Counsel left the room in a hurry as residents celebrated their victory.

In a devastating blow to InEnTec, the Appeals Hearing Board granted the appeal by adopting the entire list of Proposed Findings submitted by Citizens for Review of Medical and Infectious Waste Imports into Tehama County, and Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice. The Board decided that it was improper for the Air District to issue permits for such an untested facility without an Environmental Impact Report.

The Hearing Board also decided that there had been many significant changes and new information that had come to light since the Planning Commission approved the project last December.

Residents announced last night that they will be gathering signatures to place this issue on the June ballot.

"This is a great victory, but the citizens will continue to pressure county officials and InEnTec to respect the will of the community and terminate the project," said Wilkie Talbert, local resident. "Performance of InEnTec's technology was not proved, and we found problems at facilities where it had been used in Hawaii and Washington."

"This appeal hearing proved that InEnTec's technology would emit pollution, potentially endangering the health of residents," said Bradley Angel, Executive Director of Greenaction. "Kids and communities need health and clean air, not incinerators in disguise."

InEnTec has announced its hope to build facilities across California, the country and the world for a wide variety of wastes including medical waste, hazardous waste, and solid wastes.

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