Article 1 - Membership

1.1 There shall be several classes of membership in the corporation, with membership fees, dues, qualifications, and other considerations to be determined by the Board of Directors. Initially there shall be the following classes of membership: individual members, corporate members, additional corporate members, and sponsor members. The Board of Directors from time to time may alter the categories of membership.

1.2 Membership certificates shall be issued by the corporation. The date of issue shall be entered on each certificate.

1.3 Each individual member, corporate member’s designated representative, additional corporate member, and sponsor member’s designated representative shall be entitled to one vote in matters concerning which members are allowed to vote.

1.4 No member who is in arrears for dues shall vote or hold office or shall be entitled to the benefits of the corporation. The Secretary shall erase from the roll of membership the name of any member who is in arrears for more than ninety (90) days. Any member dropped from the roll for non-payment of dues may be reinstated during the same fiscal year only upon applying for reinstatement and payment of the dues for the year in which the member is reinstated.

1.5 Any membership may be suspended or terminated for cause. Sufficient cause for such suspension or termination of membership shall be a violation of the By-Laws or any lawful rule or practice duly adopted by the corporation, or any conduct which is not in the best interest of the corporation. Suspension or expulsion shall be by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire membership of the Board of Directors; provided, however, that a statement of the charges shall have been sent by certified or registered mail to the last recorded address of the member at least thirty (30) days before final action is taken thereon. This statement shall be accompanied by notice of the time and place of the meeting of the Board of Directors at which the charge shall be considered and the member will have the opportunity to appear in person and/or to be represented by counsel, and to present any defense to such charges before action is taken thereon.

1.6 Any member may resign from membership in the corporation by making application to the Secretary, providing all dues or indebtedness to the corporation have been paid. Any member who has resigned when not in good standing may be reinstated during the same fiscal year only upon applying for reinstatement and payment of the dues for the year in which the person is reinstated. Any resignations delivered to the Secretary after the date on which dues, assessments, or other
indebtedness are payable shall not release the resigning member from payment of such dues, assessments, or other indebtedness. Any member who resigns or is suspended or terminated shall not be entitled to any refund of dues paid.

1.7 No membership shall be assigned or transferred either voluntarily or by operation of law, except with the consent and approval of the Board of Directors; nor shall any membership rights of a member be assigned, transferred, alienated, or encumbered in any manner whatsoever.

1.8 Special assessments may be charged as directed by the Board of Directors.

**Article 2 - Membership Meetings**

2.1 The annual meeting of members of the corporation shall be held during the month of February or during such other month as the Board of Directors may designate, provided that an annual meeting shall be held during each calendar year.

2.2 Annual or special meetings of the members may be held within or without the State of Arizona at such place and time as may from time to time be fixed by the Board of Directors or as may be specified in the Notice of said meetings.

2.3 Written notice stating the place, date, and hour of the annual meeting shall be delivered at least thirty (30) days before the date of such meeting, either personally or by mail by or at the direction of the President or the Secretary to each member entitled to vote and to all other members.

2.4 Special meetings of the members may be called at any time by the Board of Directors or upon the written request of one-third (1/3) or more of the members of the corporation, upon not less than ten (10) nor more than fifty (50) days notice either mailed to the last known address or personally given to each member. Notice of a special meeting may be waived by instrument in writing executed before or after the meeting. Attendance at such meeting in person or by proxy shall constitute a waiver of notice thereof.

2.5 Notice of any special meeting of members shall state the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called.

2.6 At all meetings where proper notice has been given, those members in attendance shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and no resolution or business shall be transacted without the favorable vote of a majority of the members represented at the meeting and entitled to vote.

2.7 Any action to be taken at a meeting of the members of the corporation or any action that may be taken at a meeting of the members, may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing setting forth the action so taken shall be signed by all of the members entitled to vote with respect to the subject matter thereof.
Article 3 - Directors

3.1 Subject to these By-Laws, or any lawful agreement among the members, the full and entire management of the affairs and business of the corporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors, which shall have and may exercise all of the powers that may be exercised or performed by the corporation.

3.2 The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers, the immediate past President, and a minimum of ten (10) and a maximum of twelve (12) additional Directors of the corporation. The Directors shall be elected by a secret mail ballot of the members. Directors who are not also Officers shall serve for a term of three (3) years or until their successors are elected and qualified. Directors shall take office immediately following the conclusion of the annual meeting of the corporation. A majority of the directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Board of Directors may restrict the number of terms which directors may serve. The membership of the Board may be increased or decreased from time to time by action of the Board of Directors. All resolutions adopted and all business transacted by the Board of Directors shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting.

3.3 The Directors may fill the place of any Director which may become vacant prior to the expiration of such Director's term by appointment, such appointment by the Directors to continue until the expiration of the term of the Director whose place has become vacant.

3.4 The Directors shall meet annually, without notice, at the same place as and preceding the annual meeting of the members. Special meetings of the Directors may be called at any time by the Executive Director or by any two Directors, on ten (10) days notice, which notice shall specify the time and place of the meeting. Notice of any such meeting may be waived by instrument in writing executed before or after a meeting. Attendance in person at such meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice thereof.

3.5 Any action to be taken at a meeting of the Directors or any action that may be taken at a meeting of the Directors, may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the Directors.

3.6 Any Director may be removed from office, with or without cause, upon the vote of two-thirds {2/3} of the members of the Board of Directors at a meeting with respect to which notice of such purpose is given.

Article 4 - Officers

4.1 The officers of the corporation shall consist of a President, a President-Elect, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. One person may serve as Secretary and Treasurer. The officers shall be elected by a secret mail ballot of the members, serve a term of one year, and shall take office immediately following the conclusion of the annual meeting.

4.2 The President shall be chief executive officer of the corporation and shall preside over all the meetings of the members, and shall preside over all meetings of the Board of Directors; and shall
have the authority to delegate any specific power that may not be exclusively conferred on the President by the By-Laws of the corporation; and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

4.3 The vacancy in any elective office except the office of President and President-Elect shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

4.4 The President-Elect shall perform all the duties of the President in the absence of the President, or when the President is unable to serve and shall automatically become the President upon a vacancy in the President's office or at the next annual meeting of the corporation.

4.5 The Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President-Elect in the absence of the President-Elect or when the President-Elect is unable to serve. A vacancy in the office of the President-Elect shall be filled by the Vice President at the next annual meeting, a Vice President shall be elected in the manner provided by the By-Laws. The Vice President shall perform such other duties and exercise such other power as the Board of Directors or President shall request or delegate.

4.6 The Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings of the members and Directors and have charge of the minute book, membership list, and seal of the corporation, and shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as may from time to time be delegated by the President or the Board of Directors.

4.7 The Treasurer shall be charged with the management of the financial affairs of the corporation and shall have the power to recommend action concerning the corporation's financial affairs to the President.

4.8 The corporation may enter into contracts providing executive, administrative, clerical, and financial functions to the corporation. In the event that the Board of Directors should hire an Executive Director, the Executive Director shall consult with and be answerable to the Board of Directors of the corporation.

Article 5 - Committees

The Board of Directors, or the President subject to approval of the Board of Directors, shall establish committees and appoint the members of such committees, as deemed necessary to operate or maintain the business of the corporation. Such committees may be altered or eliminated at any time in full discretion of the Board of Directors.

Article 6 - Executive Committee

The officers of the corporation, specifically the President, President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the immediate past President, shall comprise the Executive Committee. They may exercise the powers of the Board of Directors when the Board of Directors is not in session and report any action taken to the Board of Directors at its succeeding meeting. Four (4) members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
Meetings may be called by the President or by four (4) members of the Executive Committee.

Article 7 - Nominating Committee

7.1 At least seven (7) months before the annual meeting, the President shall appoint a nominating committee to nominate candidates for the Board of Directors and officers of the corporation. The committee shall consist of the immediate past President as committee chairperson, one committee member who has served on the Environmental Information Association-Arizona Chapter, Inc., Board of Directors, two members from the membership-at-large, and one member who is currently serving on a standing committee of the corporation.

7.2 The Board of Directors shall adopt rules for the operation of the nominating committee.

7.3 The Board of Directors shall adopt rules for nominations from the membership. All rules and changes to such rules shall be communicated to the membership within thirty (30) days of their adoption.

Article 8 - Chapters

Regional, state, and/or local chapters of the corporation may be created upon majority vote of the Board of Directors. Such chapters shall not have the right to use the name “Environmental Information Association-Arizona Chapter, Inc.”, or any portion thereof without prior written consent granted by the Board of Directors of the corporation and under such rules and conditions as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors. The procedures for application and establishment of such chapters, and the by-laws, rule, and regulations applicable to the establishment and operation of chapters shall be specified by the Board of Directors. The terms and conditions of chapter status shall be set forth in the charter granted to the chapter by the Board of Directors, and in an affiliation agreement to be entered into between the corporation and each chapter.

Article 9 - Principal Office

The principal office of the corporation shall be 8102 N. 23rd Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85021. The corporation may also maintain an office in such other place or places as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate or as the business of the corporation may require.

Article 10 - Method of Giving Notice

When notice is required to be given, it may be given by one or more of the following methods: (a) delivered personally; or (b) written notice either by mail, postage prepaid, or sent electronically by e-mail or facsimile, addressed to the e-mail, facsimile, residence, or place of business of the member or director, as the same shall appear in the books of the corporation.

Article 11 - Rules of Order

The usual parliamentary rules as expressed in Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all deliberations
in any meetings when not in conflict with these By-Laws.

Article 12 - Seal

The corporation may have a seal in such form as the Board of Directors may from time to time
determine. The seal, if the board of Directors elects to have one, shall be in the custody of the
Secretary and may be affixed by the Secretary on appropriate documents, but the use of the seal is
not necessary to establish the validity of any corporate document.

Article 13 - Amendment

These By-Laws may be amended by the Board of Directors, subject to the subsequent approval of
the amendment by a majority of the members in attendance at a duly called meeting or a majority
of the members responding by mail ballot, whichever is deemed proper by the Board of Directors.
Notice of any amendment to the By-Laws should be sent to all members at least thirty (30) days
prior to the time of voting by meeting or mail ballot set forth for that purpose.

Article 14 - Sale or Transfer of Property

Any sale or transfer of any stock, bond, security, or other property owned by the corporation shall
be valid only if signed by the corporation acting through the President and Treasurer. Any transfer
assigned in this manner, having affixed thereon the seal of the corporation, shall in all respects
bind the corporation as fully and completely as if each transaction had been authorized by a
specific vote of the Directors, and any person, firm, or corporation to whom a copy of this article
shall have been certified by the Secretary shall be entitled to rely thereon until notice of its
repeal.

Article 15 - Record

The Treasurer shall at all times maintain records evidencing the property owned by the corporation
and its disbursements, shall have said records reviewed annually by a certified public accountant
who shall be selected by the Board of Directors and shall present said records to the annual
meeting of the members. The records shall always be open for inspection by any Director.

Article 16 - Officers and Directors Compensation

The officers and directors shall serve without compensation for their services.

Article 17 - Financial

Not later than four (4) months after the close of each fiscal year, the corporation shall prepare a
balance sheet showing in reasonable detail the financial condition of the corporation at the close
of the fiscal year as specified above in Article 15. The corporation shall be on a fiscal year of
January 1 to December 31.
Article 18 - Indemnification

The corporation may indemnify officers and directors as provided in the Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 10-3850 et. seq.

Dated this 28 day of April, 2004.

Stacey Phelps
Stacey Phelps, President

Attest:

Tracy Neal
Tracy Neal, Secretary