



RESOLUTION # 36-8/08

TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ITEM #

BOARD ACTION

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION

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JOINT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON SUSTAINABILITY ACTION

Adopted: 7-8-08
For: 7
Against: -
Abs/Excd: -

RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A SUSTAINABLE PROVISION WITHIN THE COUNTY PURCHASING POLICY

WHEREAS, the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors in June of 2007 approved a resolution to move in the direction of eco-county designation to serve as a model to their citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the County of La Crosse is committed to the following guidelines:

- Reducing our dependence upon fossil fuels and extracted underground metals and minerals;
- Reducing our dependence on chemicals and other manufactured substances that can accumulate in nature;
- Reducing our dependence on activities that harm life-sustaining ecosystems; and meeting the hierarchy of present and future human needs fairly and efficiently; and,

WHEREAS, sustainability guidelines should be a part of purchasing policies and decisions, consistent with standard practices such as safety, performance, price and availability; and,

WHEREAS, the progress in purchasing sustainable products and services is growing and will only become more prominent in the future; and,

WHEREAS, there are a number of third-party certifiers that create standards for sustainable products, equipment, services, and that can be used as a guideline, and,

WHEREAS, it is important toward the goal of becoming an eco-county, La Crosse County shall establish a sustainable provision within the purchasing policy to purchase products, equipment, and services that are certified by a third-party certifier or other similar and equivalent standard as determined by County staff.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that La Crosse County shall establish a sustainable provision within the County Purchasing Policy; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County shall purchase products, equipment, services, and establish procedures, to the extent practical based on safety, price, performance, and availability, that meet sustainable standards established by a third-party certifier or other similar and equivalent standards as determined by County staff with preference of purchasing locally whenever possible; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing contained in this sustainable purchasing resolution shall be construed to require products that do not perform adequately.

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JOINT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON SUSTAINABILITY CHAIR


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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR

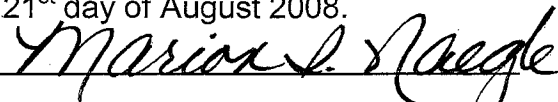

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	Recommended	Not Recommended	Reviewed Only	
Co. Admin.	<u>SO</u>	_____	_____	Requested By: Bryan Jostad
Fin. Director	<u>GI</u>	_____	_____	Date Requested: June 24, 2008
Corp. Counsel	<u>WAR</u>	_____	_____	Drafted By: Gary O. Ingvalson

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 21 Day of AUGUST, 2008.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE

I, Marion I. Naegle, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 21st day of August 2008.


Marion I. Naegle, La Crosse County Clerk