



**RESOLUTION # 38-9/09**

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

**ITEM # 13/9**

**BOARD ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 33  
Against: -  
Abs/Excd: 1  
Vote Req: 2/3 BOARD  
Other Action: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 7  
Against: 0  
Abs/Excd: 1

VACANCY: 1

**RE: AUTHORIZATION TO PARTICIPATE IN LEGAL REVIEW & POSSIBLE CHALLENGE TO XCEL ENERGY RATE INCREASE**

**WHEREAS**, Xcel Energy has filed an application with the Public Service Commission requesting an increase in electric and natural gas rates; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of La Crosse will retain the law firm of Boardman, Suhr, Curry & Field, LLP in Madison, Wisconsin to review the application filed by Xcel Energy and, if recommended, to protest the increase before the Public Service Commission; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of La Crosse has requested the County of La Crosse to join the City of La Crosse and the School District of La Crosse in this effort to maintain reasonable electric and natural gas rates for the area; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of La Crosse has been successful in the past in challenging a similar rate increase by Xcel Energy.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby authorizes the County to participate in the legal review to possibly challenge Xcel Energy's recent proposed increase in the electric and natural gas rates with the other participating governmental bodies by contributing an equal share with the other participants, not to exceed \$4,000.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the County Board Chair and County Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any documents needed to accomplish this resolution, after approval by Corporation Counsel.

**FISCAL NOTE:** Funding from the General Fund Operating Contingency Account, Org 1063 Account 79028.

Date: September 9, 2009

Date: 9/9/09

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR**

**RECORDING CLERK**

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended	
Co. Admin.	_____	<u>SD</u>	_____	Requested By: City of La Crosse Date Requested: 09/03/09 Drafted By: Gary Ingvalson
Fin. Director	_____	<u>BT</u>	_____	
Corp. Counsel	_____	<u>NAS</u>	_____	
Board Chair	<u>SD/ma</u>	_____	_____	

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 17<sup>TH</sup> Day of SEPTEMBER, 2009

COUNTY OF LA CROSSE  
I, Linda A. Stone, 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 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.

Linda A. Stone, La Crosse County Clerk