



RESOLUTION # 40-8/10

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

ITEM # 8/22

BOARD ACTION

Adopted:
For: 32
Against: -
Abstain: -
Abs/Excd: 3
Vote Req: -
Other Action: -

PUBLIC WORKS &
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COMMITTEE
ACTION

Adopted:
For: 6
Against: -
Abstain: -
Abs/Excd: 1

RE: APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH GUNDERSEN LUTHERAN ENVISION, LLC FOR USE OF
BIOGAS FOR ENERGY FROM THE LA CROSSE COUNTY LANDFILL

WHEREAS, by Resolution 84-2/10 the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors authorized the negotiation of a contract with Gundersen Lutheran Health Systems for the use of biogas produced at the La Crosse County Sanitary Landfill; and,

WHEREAS, the terms of the contract have been negotiated, which include the following:

1. Gundersen Lutheran Envision, LLC shall purchase all of the biogas from the County Landfill site that can be utilized.
2. The term shall be 15 years, with the possibility of three, five-year renewals.
3. La Crosse County will be paid \$3.50/MMBtu of biogas utilized for the first 8 years and 50% of natural gas rates based upon the most recent 3-year rolling average of rates for years 9-15.
4. La Crosse County shall purchase, maintain, and install the gas conditioner and compressor at the County Landfill site and for the pipeline to the generator at the Gundersen Lutheran Onalaska site.
5. Gundersen Lutheran Envision, LLC shall purchase, maintain and install the generator at the Gundersen Lutheran Onalaska site and convert the gas to energy.
6. Gundersen Lutheran will be able to utilize Federal Stimulus Renewable Energy Grant funds for up to 50% of the depreciable asset project; and,

WHEREAS, La Crosse County strives to develop collaborative public/private relationships that can benefit and bring value to the residents of La Crosse County; and,

WHEREAS, energy production from this project will minimize greenhouse gas emissions that have a detrimental effect on our environment and our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, Gundersen Lutheran's goal of being 100% supplied by renewable energy by the year 2014 will reduce dependence on fossil fuels and utilize a locally produced fuel, which will benefit La Crosse County citizens; and,

WHEREAS, this project will satisfy one of the Solid Waste Department's goals in the Strategic Plan for Sustainability; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of La Crosse County to enter into this agreement with Gundersen Lutheran Envision, LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the La Crosse County Board hereby authorizes La Crosse County to enter into an agreement with Gundersen Lutheran Envision, LLC for the use of biogas from the La Crosse County Sanitary Landfill for energy in accordance with the above terms.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board Chair is hereby authorized to execute such an agreement, after approval of the terms by Corporation Counsel.

FISCAL NOTE: Funds for the project from Org.# 6515, Acct.# 64056 Consulting for 2010 and 2011, and from Org.#6515, Acct.# 86050 Major Capital Other for 2011 construction. Anticipated revenue estimated to exceed \$3.8M over 15 years and pay back the investment in 5-6 years. Anticipated operational expense of \$35,000-\$53,000/year.

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Date: 8-9-2010

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Margaret Jones
RECORDING CLERK

C. W. Anderson
PUBLIC WORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE
COMMITTEE CHAIR

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended	
Co. Admin.	_____	<u>SO</u>	_____	Requested By: Henry Koch
Fin. Director	_____	<u>GI</u>	_____	Date Requested: August 3, 2010
Corp. Counsel	<u>MAS</u>	_____	_____	Drafted By: Corporation Counsel
Board Chair	<u>SD/MR</u>	_____	_____	

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 19TH Day of AUGUST, 2010.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
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 19th day of August, 2010.

Linda A. Stone
Linda A. Stone, La Crosse County Clerk