



RESOLUTION # 71-12/10

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

ITEM # 12/32

BOARD ACTION

Adopted:
For: 28
Against: -
Abstain: -
Abs/Excd: 7
Vote Req: -
Other Action: -

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ACTION

Adopted:
For: 4
Against: -
Abstain: -
Abs/Excd: 3

PUBLIC WORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE ACTION

Adopted:
For: 7
Against: -
Abstain: -
Abs/Excd: -

RE: SUPPORT FOR ELIMINATING WISCONSIN DNR FEES REGARDING WASTE RESIDUE RESOURCES FROM THE NSP FRENCH ISLAND FACILITY

WHEREAS, State law currently imposes certain Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) fees for solid waste disposal at the La Crosse County Landfill, including residue from the NSP French Island Facility; and,

WHEREAS, the current statutory definition of biomass includes refuse-derived fuel used for a renewable facility in service before January 1, 1998, which includes waste delivered to the NSP facility for conversion to energy; and,

WHEREAS, the addition of an exception to the WDNR fees for waste sent to a renewable facility burning refuse-derived fuel would promote renewable energy policies in the state; and,

WHEREAS, burning waste with energy recovery is higher in the state priority for managing waste than land disposal of solid waste; and,

WHEREAS, such an exception would be a very narrow exception applicable only to facilities using refuse-derived fuel and would result in substantial savings to the La Crosse County Solid Waste Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the La Crosse County Board does hereby support an amendment to the state statutes that has the effect of exempting waste residue from a refuse-derived fuel facility from the WDNR fees at the landfill.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to State Senator Dan Kapanke and State Representatives Michael Huebsch and Jennifer Shilling urging the adoption of such an amendment to state law.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost to La Crosse County and potential savings up to \$250,000 per year.

Date: 12/6/10
Bridget Flood
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Date: 12-6-10
Margaret Jorden
PUBLIC WORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE CHAIR

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	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended
Co. Admin.	_____	_____	_____
Fin. Director	_____	<u>SO</u>	_____
Corp. Counsel	<u>WAS</u>	<u>BI</u>	_____
Board Chair	<u>SD/ma</u>	_____	_____

Requested By: Henry Koch
Date Requested: November 15, 2010
Drafted By: Corporation Counsel

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 16TH Day of DECEMBER, 2010

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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 16th day of December, 2010.

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