



RESOLUTION # 84-2/10

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

ITEM # 2-16

**BOARD ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 31  
Against: —  
Abstain: —  
Abs/Excd: 4  
Vote Req: —  
Other Action: —

**PUBLIC WORKS &  
INFRASTRUCTURE  
COMMITTEE  
ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 5  
Against: —  
Abstain: —  
Abs/Excd: 2

**EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE  
ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 8  
Against: —  
Abstain: —  
Abs/Excd: 1

**RE: AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE BIOGAS UTILIZATION CONTRACT WITH  
GUNDERSEN LUTHERAN HEALTH SYSTEMS**

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County completed a Biogas Utilization Study in October, 2009 which evaluated alternatives for energy production from biogas produced at the La Crosse County Sanitary Landfill; and

**WHEREAS**, the result of the Study indicated that the production of energy from biogas from the Landfill is economically feasible; and

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County requested letters of interest as a result of the Study and publicly opened the letters of interest received on January 15, 2010; and,

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County received letters of interest from River States Truck & Trailer, Inc., Solution Dynamics, and Gundersen Lutheran Health Systems; and,

**WHEREAS**, the letters of interest were reviewed by staff and also by the County Board Chair and County Administrator, with the recommendation that La Crosse County proceed with negotiations with Gundersen Lutheran Health Systems; and,

**WHEREAS**, it may be necessary to do preliminary work on easements, permitting and similar issues while negotiations occur because substantial progress needs to happen before the end of 2010 due to Federal Stimulus Renewable Energy Grant requirements; and,

**WHEREAS**, Gundersen Lutheran Health Systems will utilize Federal Stimulus Renewable Energy Grant funds for up to 30% of the depreciable asset project; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of La Crosse County to enter into negotiations with Gundersen Lutheran Health Systems to utilize the biogas for energy production.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby authorize the County Administrator to appoint an ad-hoc committee to negotiate the terms of a contract with Gundersen Lutheran Health System for use of biogas from the La Crosse County Sanitary Landfill for energy purposes. Any contract negotiated shall be brought back to the La Crosse County Board for approval.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that La Crosse County shall also be authorized to perform preliminary work regarding easements, permits, and other similar work during the time of negotiations because of the need to expedite the work before the end of 2010, and the Auditor/Finance Director is authorized to transfer any necessary funds for this work.

**FISCAL NOTE:** Any funds required for any preliminary work shall be utilized from Org# 6526, Account# 64056 of the Solid Waste budget.

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**PUBLIC WORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE  
 COMMITTEE CHAIR**

*Margaret Jordan*  
**RECORDING CLERK**

Date: FEB 11 2010

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**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR**

*Margaret Jordan*  
**RECORDING CLERK**

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended	
Co. Admin.	_____	<u>SO</u>	_____	Requested By: Henry Koch
Fin. Director	_____	<u>ST</u>	_____	Date Requested: February 2, 2010
Corp. Counsel	_____	<u>WALS</u>	_____	Drafted By: Corporation Counsel
Board Chair	<u>SD/mn</u>	_____	_____	

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 18<sup>TH</sup> Day of FEBRUARY, 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010.

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