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CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-100

INTRODUCED BY:

COUNTY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-151

INTRODUCED BY:

COMMISSIONER HARRY MONTOYA

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A JOINT CITY/COUNTY RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF A BIOMASS DISTRICT ENERGY SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, a natural gas is a finite resource and a nationwide shortage in the supply of natural gas has been acknowledged by Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, and many others, and the shortage of supply is causing natural-gas prices to climb, posing a threat to our local economy and to the businesses and residents who rely on natural gas; and

WHEREAS, the hospitality industry is vital to our local economy and is even more exposed than most local industries to the problems of spiraling gas rates and New Mexicans already pay a disproportionate percentage of their income on energy; and

WHEREAS, thinning of local forests and the management of dead and dying piñon trees is necessary in the interest of public safety, but thinning projects produce biomass fuel, the utilization of which could transform the burden of thinning into an asset, creating local jobs, reducing heating costs, and energy dollars circulating within the local community; and

WHEREAS, biomass-fired energy systems are already prevalent through the world, and

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THAT THE CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

1 represent a clean, efficient utilization of biomass fuel; and

2 **WHEREAS**, Local Energy, a local nonprofit corporation, has received a grant from the
3 US Department of Agriculture to design a biomass district energy system for the City of Santa Fe
4 and to study and optimize the economic benefits of the system; and

5 **WHEREAS**, becoming the first city in America to heat its downtown area with 100-
6 percent renewable energy would further Santa Fe's objective to be recognized as a clean healthy,
7 place to live and work.

8 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
9 **CITY OF SANTA FE AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** that Santa Fe
10 County and the City, in order to present to the respective Governing Bodies the feasibility of a
11 biomass district energy project, should consider entering into an agreement with Local Energy to
12 develop an action plan to implement a Biomass District Energy Project and energy efficiency.

13 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Manager and City Manager coordinate
14 and plan for implementation of the Biomass District Energy Project with appropriate County and
15 City agencies and personnel, including but not limited to:

- 16 a. The Public Utilities Department;
- 17 b. The Public Works Department;
- 18 c. Road Maintenance Division;
- 19 d. Solid Waste Division; and
- 20 e. Fuel Reduction Task Force.

21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Solid Waste Management Agency board be
22 requested to consider and quantify the benefits of a reduction in the green-waste stream, and to
23 determine the appropriate equipment and methods for processing the waste materials from
24 thinning operations such that they can be used as biomass fuel.

25 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that County and City Staff cooperate with Local Energy on

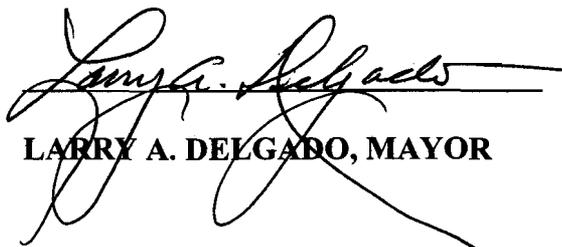
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1 the project, providing access to utility rooms in County and City buildings and to utility-bill
2 historical data as needed to facilitate the design of the district energy system.

3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County and City Staff cooperate with all federal
4 and state agencies in the implementation of the Project. **2719568**

5 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that County and City Staff look for potential locations to
6 begin processing and storing biomass fuel for use by the County and the City.

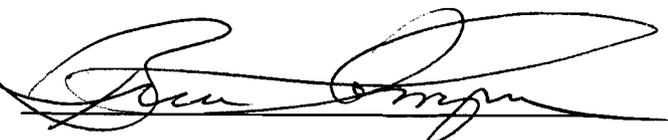
7 **PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED** this 21st day of October, 2003.

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10 **LARRY A. DELGADO, MAYOR**

11 **ATTEST:**

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14 **YOLANDA VIGIL, CITY CLERK**
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16 **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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19 **BRUCE THOMPSON, CITY ATTORNEY**

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21 **COUNTY OF SANTA FE:**

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24 **JACK SULLIVAN, COUNTY**

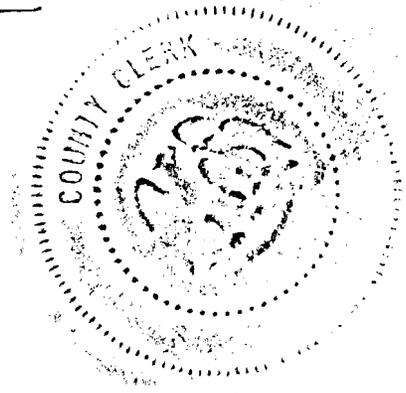
25 **COMMISSIONER**

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1 ATTEST:

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3 *Marcella Salazar*

4 REBECCA BUSTAMANTE, COUNTY CLERK



6 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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8 *SR* 11-24-03

9 STEPHEN C. ROSS, COUNTY ATTORNEY



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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REBECCA BUSTAMANTE
COUNTY CLERK, SANTA FE COUNTY, N.M.

Marcella Salazar
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REC. CLERK BELLWATER 08/27/2008