

**COUNTY OF UNION,  
ILLINOIS**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH SIMEC D/B/A  
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE  
TO SERVE AS EXCLUSIVE CONSULTANT FOR THE COUNTY OF  
UNION, ILLINOIS FOR ITS ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM AND FOR  
ENGAGEMENT OF THE LOWEST COST ELECTRIC WHOLESALE SUPPLIER**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 20 ILCS 3855/1-92, a county board of a county may adopt an ordinance under which it may aggregate residential and small commercial retail electrical loads located within the unincorporated areas of the county and, for that purpose, may solicit bids and enter into service agreements to facilitate for those loads the sale and purchase of electricity and related services and equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous municipalities and counties throughout the State of Illinois have implemented aggregation programs and have experienced significant electricity rate reduction after executing new power supply contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Union, Illinois finds that the creation of such an aggregation program would give the County of Union the authority to enter into an electric supply power contract on behalf of residents and small businesses located in the unincorporated portions of Union County that have not opted out of such program and could secure a lower rate for electric services and reduced electric bills for residents and small businesses located in the unincorporated portions of Union County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners finds that SIMEC, LLC d/b/a Southern Illinois Municipal Electric Cooperative ("SIMEC") should serve as the County of Union's consultant and broker related to the acquisition of electric energy, because of SIMEC's experience, strategy, and pricing structure; and

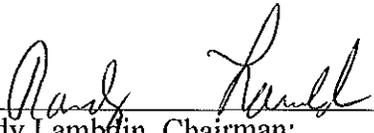
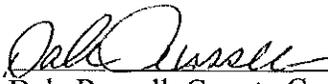
**WHEREAS**, SIMEC's fee structure provides its fee will be built into the prices bid by electric wholesale providers, resulting in no direct payments made to SIMEC by the County of Union; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners finds that the execution of the Consulting Services Agreement attached to this resolution would be in the best interest of the County of Union.

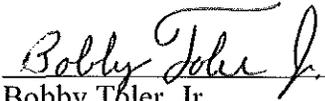
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Union, Illinois as follows:

1. The attached Consulting Services Agreement is approved and shall be executed by the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Union, Illinois this 3rd day of August, 2012.

	Aye	Nay	Abstain
 Randy Lambdin, Chairman:	voting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Don Denny, County Commissioner:	voting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Dale Russell, County Commissioner:	voting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ATTEST:

  
Bobby Toler, Jr.  
Union County Clerk