

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SAN MIGUEL COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

ORDINANCE NO. 07-09-13-LEDA: ADOPTING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT; ESTABLISHING APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS; AUTHORIZING SAN MIGUEL COUNTY TO ENTER INTO JOINT POWERS AGREEMENTS WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS WITH NON-PROFIT ENTITIES; REPEALING SAN MIGUEL COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 06-12-07-LEDA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, San Miguel County, New Mexico, (the "County"), acting through its Board of County Commissioners is a political subdivision duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of New Mexico, and

WHEREAS, Article 9, Section 14 of the New Mexico Constitution permits counties to create new job opportunities by providing land, buildings or infrastructure for facilities to support new or expanding businesses, provided that adequate safeguards are employed to protect public moneys and resources; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Economic Development Act, Sections 5-10-1 through 5-10-13, NMSA 1978, (the "Act"), as amended by and through the 2013 Session of the New Mexico Legislature, no public support for economic development may be provided until the County has adopted by ordinance an economic development plan, or a comprehensive plan which includes an economic development component, which plan may be specific to a single economic development goal or strategy or may include several goals and strategies; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to adopt an economic development plan which will encourage economic development within the unincorporated boundaries of the County as well as within the municipal limits of the City of Las Vegas, New Mexico, by use of authority available under the Act, which economic development plan shall be both (1) specific to the development of a wood cluster industrial park ("Industrial Park") to attract loggers and craftspeople, forest processors and electric generation facilities using biomass and other renewable energy sources ("Wood Cluster Plan"), and other development at the County's Industrial Park located on a site of approximately 143 acres acquired from the Medite Corporation, located northeast of Las Vegas, New Mexico, and (2) other economic goals, strategies and development at such Industrial Park, or elsewhere within San Miguel County, to include but not be limited to food processing facilities, agricultural facilities, green energy facilities, clean energy facilities, electronic manufacturing facilities, electronic distribution facilities, health care, metal fabrication, general warehousing facilities, small manufacturing and distribution facilities,