BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

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In the Matter of Authorizing David Stocker to Sign an Extended Enterprise Zone Agreement with Rightline Equipment, Inc.)

Resolution No. 84-2011

WHEREAS, Columbia County, together with Clatsop County, the City of Clatskanie, the City of Rainier, and the Port of St. Helens, is a Zone Sponsor of the Lower Columbia Maritime Enterprise Zone ("Enterprise Zone"); and

WHEREAS, Rightline Equipment, Inc., (the "Firm") wishes to expand its business operations on industrial property located within the Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 285C.175(2)(b), property of an authorized business firm is exempt from ad valorem property taxation if (a) the property is qualified property under ORS 285C.180; (b) the firm meets the qualifications under ORS 285C.200; and the firm has entered into a first source hiring agreement under ORS 285C.215; and

WHEREAS, information provided by Columbia County indicates that the Firm will be an authorized business firm pursuant to ORS 285C.200, the property will qualify under ORS 285C.180 for the initial property tax exemption, and the Firm will enter into a first source hiring agreement pursuant to ORS 285C.215; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 285C.175, the property may be exempt from property taxation for up to two additional tax years if authorized by a written agreement entered into by the Firm and the zone sponsors under ORS 285C.160; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 285C.160(3)(B), the written agreement may include any additional requirement that a sponsor may reasonably request; and

WHEREAS, David Stocker, is the Zone Manager for the Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, David Stocker is in the process of negotiating an agreement with the Firm to exempt the Firm from property taxes for an additional two tax years; and

WHEREAS, the County agrees that Rightline Equipment, Inc., is a good addition to the job market in Columbia County, and that the purpose of the Enterprise Zone is to attract companies that provide family wage jobs for our community;

- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:
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The County authorizes David Stocker to negotiate and sign on behalf of Columbia County, an agreement with the Firm pursuant to ORS 285C.160, granting an additional two years of tax exemption, provided that the Firm is eligible for Enterprise Zone extended benefits pursuant to ORS Chapter 285C.

DATED this _______ of December, 2011.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON By: Anthony-Hyde By:_ Earl Fisher, Contraissioner By: Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

Approved as to form By: Office of County Counsel

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