



Southern Illinois Economic Development Authority (SIDA)

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September 17, 2020

Randall Crocker, Chairman
Franklin County Board
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Benton, IL 62812

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Dear Chairman Crocker:

The Southern Illinois Economic Development Authority (SIDA) is a regional bonding entity that can issue up to \$250,000,000 in bonds to provide double-tax exempt financing for manufacturing, hospitals, senior housing, other non-profits and units of government. Our interest rates are generally 1.0% to 3.0% lower than a conventional loan and can help stimulate business activity and create new jobs in the region.

I am contacting you to request an appointment from Franklin County to the Board of Directors of the Southern Illinois Economic Development Authority (SIDA). The SIDA statute (*70 ILCS 519/1 et. seq.*) authorizes the County Board Chairman to appoint a member to the board with or without county board approval. The member must reside in the county and a person of recognized ability and experience in one or more of the following areas: economic development, finance, banking, industrial development, state or local government, commercial agriculture, small business management, real estate development, community development, venture finance, organized labor, or civic or community organization. Board member terms are staggered, and a full term is for six years. The most recent Franklin County appointee was Peter Wilkewitz.

It is crucial for the project approval and for quorum purposes that SIDA maintain records of a current and complete Board of Directors. We have attached a Certificate of Appointment. Please sign, scan and email me a copy of the certificate. It is not necessary to have an original, but if you wish to mail a copy, please send to this address: SIDA Statewide Office, Attn: Andrew Hamilton 1032 S Vine St., Park Ridge IL 60068. listed above.

A statewide map of the Regional Development Authorities is also attached.

If you have any questions, please call Warren Ribley at 217-836-9553 or email at wribley@wcrenterprises.com or me at 866-325-7525 or email at andrewjhamilton@andrewjhamilton.com. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

Andrew Hamilton
Executive Director

State of Illinois)

Franklin County)

CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT

This certifies that _____ has been appointed to the Southern Illinois Economic Development Authority (SIDA) by the Chairman of the Franklin County Board, effective immediately for a term that expires on the Third Monday of January 2026 and is hereby authorized to perform all the duties of said office.

Dated: _____, 2020

Franklin County Board Chairman

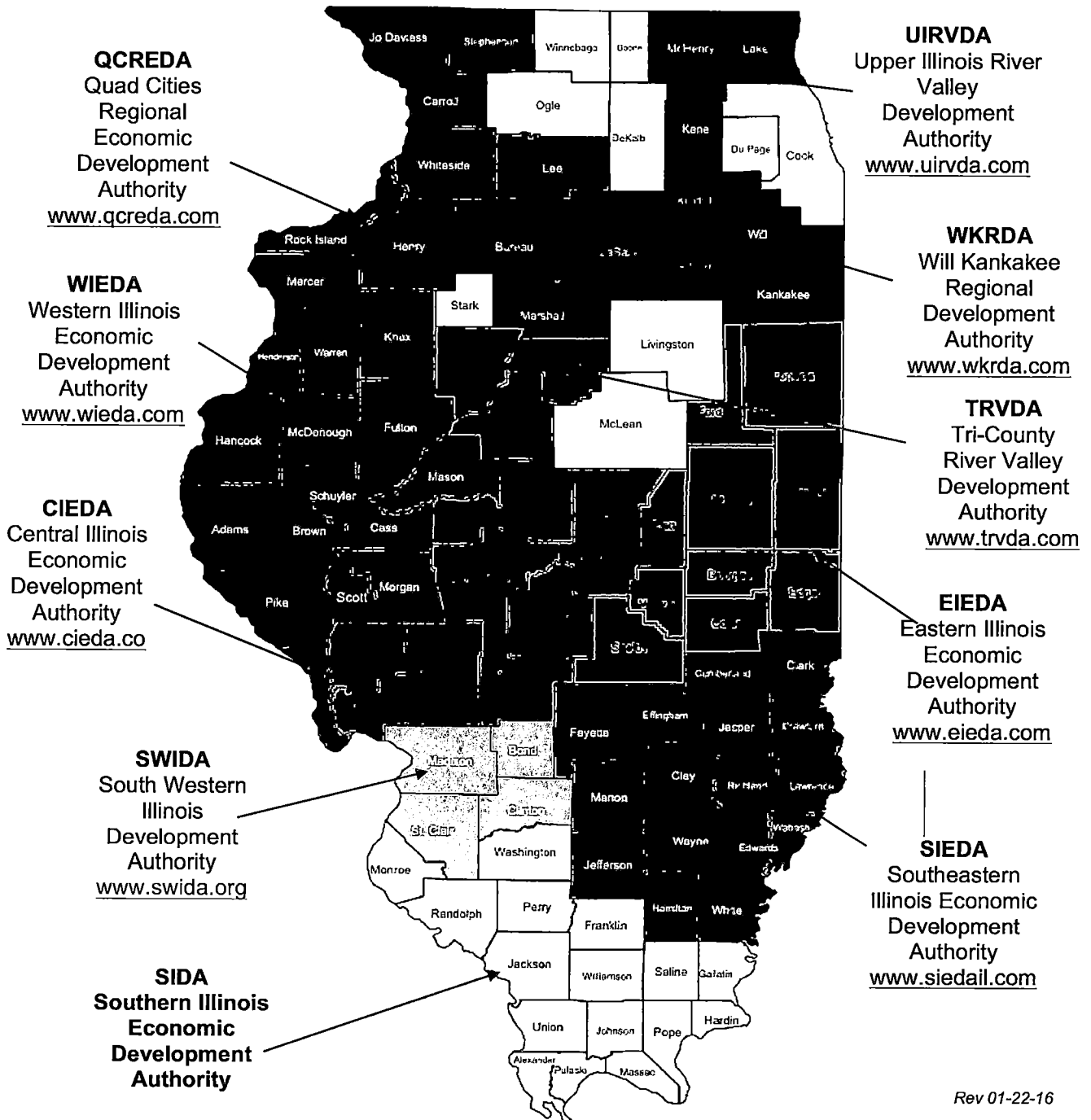
Appointee Contact Information:

Address: _____

Telephone Number(s): _____

Email Address: _____

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For more information about Illinois Regional Development Authorities, please contact Andrew Hamilton, Tel: 866-325-7525, email: andrewjhamilton@andrewjhamilton.com