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Charlene Coulombe-Fiore CECD EDFP Selected as New Executive Director of the Montgomery Economic Development Corporation

Montgomery, Illinois – September 8, 2009 – The Executive Board of the Montgomery Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) has selected Charlene Coulombe-Fiore to fill the position of Executive Director, effective September 8, 2009.

MEDC Secretary, Richard DeBoer (Ozinga Illinois RMC, Inc.), and Treasurer, Susan Volkert (Bank of Montgomery) coordinated the extensive interview process. MEDC Board of Director, Dr. Neil Schlupp said, “We are very excited to have Charlene Coulombe-Fiore as the new Director of the Montgomery Economic Development Corporation. She brings a wealth of knowledge, expertise, and a track record of success. We are confident she will have an immediate and positive impact on the economic growth of Montgomery.” Director Denny Lee added, “The MEDC welcomes Charlene, with her broad experience and knowledge of the Chicagoland area, to Montgomery.”

She comes to the MEDC as a Certified Economic Developer (CECD) and has worked in this field for more than 21 years. She is a graduate of the Economic Development Institute at the University of Oklahoma and holds a CECD and EDFP Certification. She was employed as the Executive Director of two county-wide positions in Chippewa County Wisconsin and Winnebago County, IL. Mrs. Coulombe-Fiore served as Executive Director for the Village of Bolingbrook and the Town of Cicero. Her strengths include job creation and business retention.

Ms. Coulombe-Fiore says, “I am excited to work for the Village of Montgomery, and I look forward to meeting with business and governmental leaders to develop solutions and plans for acquiring new businesses and helping existing ones grow. Everyone that I have met thus far has been positive and enthusiastic and I am anxious to get started”

The Montgomery Economic Development Corporation was formed in 2003 as a public-private partnership for the purpose of promoting economic development, expansion and diversification in the Village. The MEDC promotes and assists the development of business concerns by attracting new business and encouraging the retention and expansion of existing business in the community and area.