

4350.3010 AUTHORITY, PURPOSE, AND EXEMPTIONS.

Subpart 1. **Authority.** These rules are prescribed by the Bureau of Business Licenses under:

A. Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.23, establishing an environmental permits coordination unit. This unit will implement the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections 116C.22 to 116C.34, herein titled the Environmental Coordination Procedures Act;

B. Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.32, to adopt rules, not inconsistent with rules of procedure established by the Office of Administrative Hearings, implementing the Environmental Coordination Procedures Act.

Subp. 2. **Purpose.** These rules provide an optional procedure to assist a person who, before undertaking a project which would use the state's air, land, or water resources, must obtain more than one state permit as defined by these rules when that person voluntarily decides to use this procedure. The assistance involves identifying all such required permits before the project is implemented; providing a single hearing on appropriate permit applications; providing time frames for the making of agency decisions; and providing to the applicant statements of the reasons that agencies approve or deny the permit applications.

Subp. 3. **Exemptions.** These rules shall not apply to projects that:

A. require permits issued under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 93, pertaining to reservations, permits, and leases of state-owned mineral lands; Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216E, the Minnesota Power Plant Siting Act; or Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.243, pertaining to certificates of need for large energy facilities; or

B. are initiated for taconite tailings disposal or mining, or producing or beneficiating copper, nickel, or copper nickel.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 116C.32; 216E.16*

History: *L 1983 c 289 s 34 to 39; L 1987 c 312 art 1*

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