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If an agency seeks outside opinion before issuing new rules or rule amendments, it must publish a NOTICE OF INTENT TO SOLICIT OUTSIDE OPINION in the *Official Notices* section of the *State Register*. When rules are first drafted, state agencies publish them as **Proposed Rules**, along with a notice of hearing, or notice of intent to adopt rules without a hearing in the case of noncontroversial rules. This notice asks for comment on the rules as proposed. Proposed emergency rules and withdrawn proposed rules are also published in the *State Register*. After proposed rules have gone through the comment period, and have been rewritten into their final form, they again appear in the *State Register* as **Adopted Rules**. These final adopted rules are not printed in their entirety in the *State Register*, only the changes made since their publication as Proposed Rules. To see the full rule, as adopted and in effect, a person simply needs two issues of the *State Register*, the issue the rule appeared in as proposed, and later as adopted. For a more detailed description of the rulemaking process, see the *Minnesota Guidebook to State Agency Services*.

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Proposed Rules

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §14.22, an agency may propose to adopt, amend, suspend or repeal rules without first holding a public hearing, as long as the agency determines that the rules will be noncontroversial in nature. The agency must first publish a notice of intent to adopt rules without a public hearing, together with the proposed rules, in the *State Register*. The notice must advise the public:

- 1. that they have 30 days in which to submit comment on the proposed rules;
- 2. that no public hearing will be held unless 25 or more persons make a written request for a hearing within the 30-day comment period;
- 3. of the manner in which persons shall request a hearing on the proposed rules; and
- 4. that the rule may be modified if the modifications are supported by the data and views submitted

If, during the 30-day comment period, 25 or more persons submit to the agency a written request for a hearing of the proposed rules, the agency must proceed under the provisions of §§14.14-14.20, which state that if an agency decides to hold a public hearing, it must publish a notice of intent in the *State Register*.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§14.29 and 14.30, agencies may propose emergency rules under certain circumstances. Proposed emergency rules are published in the *State Register* and, for at least 25 days thereafter, interested persons may submit data and views in writing to the proposing agency.

Department of Health

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Merit System (Health)

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Rule Without a Public Hearing

Introduction. The Minnesota Department of Health intends to adopt amendments to permanent rules without a public hearing following the procedures set forth in the Administrative Procedure Act, *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.22 to 14.28. You have 30 days to submit written comments on the proposed rule and may also submit a written request that a hearing be held on the rule.

Agency Contact Person. Comments or questions on the rule and written requests for a public hearing must be submitted to: Betty Carlson, Minnesota Merit System, Second Floor, Human Services Building, 444 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-3822, telephone (612) 296-3996, fax number (612) 282-5340.

Subject of Rule and Statutory Authority. The Minnesota Merit System rules provide for a system of personnel administration for county and local health and human services agencies. The rules apply to all positions funded in whole or in part by federal grants-in-aid requiring a merit system of personnel administration. The rules cover such areas as classification of positions, compensation, recruitment and examination, certification and appointment, leaves of absence, separation, tenure and reinstatement, and, in general, provide standards for agencies to follow so as to ensure compliance with the Federal Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 CFR Part 900).

A proposed revision to part 4670.1320 provides for a recommended salary adjustment of 2% for all incumbents on the professional and administrative, health services support, clerical, and building maintenance salary schedules who are covered by Merit System compensation plans. Amendments proposed to the compensation plan (parts 4670.4200-4240) provide for a 2% adjustment to the minimum salaries of all classifications covered by Merit System compensation plans, since this is the general salary adjustment being recommended for incumbents.

The statutory authority to adopt these rules is *Minnesota Statutes*, section 144.071. A copy of the proposed rules is published in the *State Register* and attached to this notice as mailed.

A free copy of this rule is available upon request from the agency contact person listed above. A copy of the proposed rule may also be viewed at any of the Minnesota county health or human service agencies covered by the Merit System.

Comments. You have until 4:30 p.m., March 6, 1996 to submit written comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rule or any part or subpart of the rule. Your comment must be in writing and received by the agency contact person by the due date. Comment is encouraged. You are encouraged to propose any change desired. Any comments that you would like to make on the legality of the proposed rule must also be made during this comment period.

Request for a Hearing. In addition to submitting comments, you may also request that a hearing be held on the rule. Your request for a public hearing on the rule must be in writing and must be received by the agency contact person by 4:30 p.m. on March 6, 1996. Your written request for a public hearing must include your name and address. You must identify the portion of the proposed rule to which you object or state that you oppose the entire rule. Any request that does not comply with these requirements is not valid and cannot be counted by the agency for determining whether a public hearing must be held. You are also encouraged to state the reason for the request and any changes you want made to the proposed rule.

Withdrawal of Requests. If 25 or more persons submit a written request for a hearing, a public hearing will be held unless a sufficient number withdraw their requests in writing. If enough requests for hearing are withdrawn to reduce the number below 25, the agency must give written notice of this to all persons who requested a hearing, explain the actions the agency took to effect the with-



drawal, and ask for written comments on this action. If a public hearing is required, the agency will follow the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20.

Modifications. The proposed rule may be modified as a result of public comment. The modifications must be supported by comments and information submitted to the agency, and the adopted rule may not be substantially different than this proposed rule. If the proposed rule affects you in any way, you are encouraged to participate in the rulemaking process.

Statement of Need and Reasonableness. A statement of need and reasonableness is now available from the agency contact person. This statement contains a summary of the justification for the proposed rule, including a description of who will be affected by the proposed rule and an estimate of the probable cost of the proposed rule.

Lobbyist Registration. *Minnesota Statutes*, chapter 10A requires each lobbyist to register with the Ethical Practices Board. Questions regarding this requirement may be directed to the Ethical Practices Board at 1st Floor, Centennial Office Building, 658 Cedar Street, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155; telephone (612) 296-5148.

Adoption Procedure and Review of Rule. If no hearing is required, the agency may adopt the rule after the end of the comment period. The rule and supporting documents will then be submitted to the Office of Administrative Hearings for review for legality. You may request to be notified of the date the rule is submitted to the office. If you want to be so notified, or wish to receive a copy of the adopted rule, or want to register with the agency to receive notice of future rule proceedings, submit your request to Betty Carlson at the address listed above.

Dated: 8 January 1996

Anne Barry Commissioner

Rules as Proposed

4670.1320 RECOMMENDED ADJUSTMENTS.

The merit system general adjustment recommended for incumbents is three two percent for employees on the professional and administrative, health services support, clerical, and building maintenance salary schedules.

4670.4210 PROFESSIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMPENSATION PLAN, 1995 1996.

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	Minimum	Maximum
Assistant Director of Environmental		
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4670.4220 HEALTH SERVICES SUPPORT PERSONNEL COMPENSATION PLAN.

Subpart 1. Plan.

	Minimum	Maximum
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Clerk-Steno	1107 <u>1129</u>	1890 <u>1928</u>
Switchboard Operator	1040 <u>1061</u>	1769 <u>1804</u>

4670.4240 BUILDING MAINTENANCE COMPENSATION PLAN.

[For text of subpart 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 2. Shift differential; janitors.

	Minimum	Maximum
Janitor	1107 <u>1129</u>	1890 <u>1928</u>

Adopted Rules

The adoption of a rule becomes effective after the requirements of Minn. Stat. §§14.14-14.28 have been met and five working days after the rule is published in *State Register*, unless a later date is required by statutes or specified in the rule.

If an adopted rule is identical to its proposed form as previously published, a notice of adoption and citation to its previous State Register publication will be printed.

If an adopted rule differs from its proposed form, language which has been deleted will be printed with strikeouts and new language will be underlined. The rule's previous *State Register* publication will be cited.

An emergency rule becomes effective five working days after the approval of the Attorney General as specified in Minn. Stat. §14.33 and upon the approval of the Revisor of Statutes as specified in §14.36. Notice of approval by the Attorney General will be published as soon as practicable, and the adopted emergency rule will be published in the manner provided for adopted rules under §14.18.

Minnesota Veterans Homes Board

Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to General Revisions

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 20, Number 14, pages 747-758, October 2, 1995 (20 SR 747), are adopted with the following modifications:

Rules as Adopted

9050.0400 UTILIZATION REVIEW COMMITTEE.

Subp. 3. Duties. The duties of the utilization review committee are to:

A. review the necessity and appropriateness of admissions, bed holds, transfers, and the need for discharge of all residents according to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, this chapter, and Department of Health nursing and boarding care criteria specified in parts 4655.0400, 4655.0500, 4655.0700, <u>4658.0030</u>, and <u>4655.1500</u> <u>4658.0140</u>;

9050.1030 RESIDENT CARE SERVICES.

Subp. 1a. Provided services.

C. For purposes of item A, subitem (4), a qualified dietitian, as defined in part 9050.0040, subpart 34, or dietary supervisor if qualified, must be employed or contracted with to supervise the food service department of each facility. A qualified dietary supervisor is a person trained or experienced in the planning and preparation of meals as stated in part 4655.8510 or 4658.0605, subpart 2. A dietitian shall ensure that nutritional care plans are developed according to each resident's nutritional needs and that an individual diet card is maintained for each resident. The dietary staff shall prepare therapeutic diets as ordered by the resident's attending physician, according to federal and state standards.

EFFECTIVE DATE. Minnesota Rules, part 9050.0750, subpart 2b, is effective July 1, 1996.

KEY: PROPOSED RULES SECTION — <u>Underlining</u> indicates additions to existing rule language. Strike outs indicate deletions from existing rule language. If a proposed rule is totally new, it is designated "all new material." **ADOPTED RULES SECTION** — <u>Underlining</u> indicates additions to proposed rule language. Strike outs indicate deletions from proposed rule language.

Official Notices =

Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes §14.101, an agency, in preparing proposed rules, may seek information or opinion from sources outside the agency. Notices of intent to solicit outside opinion must be published in the *State Register* and all interested persons afforded the opportunity to submit data or views on the subject, either orally or in writing.

The State Register also publishes other official notices of state agencies, notices of meetings, and matters of public interest.

Department of Agriculture

Minnesota Rural Finance Authority

Notice of Public Hearing on the Issuance of an Agricultural Development Revenue Bond Under *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 41C

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on February 21, 1996, at 9 A.M. in Room 145 Department of Agriculture Building, 90 West Plato Boulevard, Saint Paul Minnesota, on a proposal that the Minnesota Rural Finance Authority (the Authority) issue its revenue bond under *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 41C, in order to finance the purchase of **approximately 80 head of beef cattle** located in Section 11 & 24, Slayton Township, Murray County, Minnesota on behalf of Jason K. Larson, a single person (the Borrower). The maximum aggregate face amount of the proposed bond issue is \$60,000.00. The revenue bond will be a limited obligation of the Authority, payable solely from the revenue pledged to the payment thereof. No holder of such revenue bond will ever have the right to compel any exercise of the taxing power of the State of Minnesota to pay the bond or the interest thereon, nor to enforce payment against any property of the Authority or the State of Minnesota, except the revenues specifically pledged to the payment thereof. Before issuing the revenue bond, the Authority will enter into an agreement with the Borrower whereby the Borrower will be obligated to make payments at least sufficient at all times to pay the principal of and interest on such revenue bond when due. All persons interested may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above, or may file written comments with the Executive Director of the Authority prior to the date of the hearing set forth above.

Dated: 3 January 1996

Jim Boerboom RFA Director

Department of Agriculture

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Dated: 3 January 1996

Jim Boerboom RFA Director

Department of Human Services

Prior Authorization List

The following is a listing of adds, deletes and changes to the current prior authorization list. The newly added and changed codes will require prior authorization on or after February 5, 1996.

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION LIST

As authorized by *Minnesota Statutes*, section 256B.0625, subdivision 25, the following list includes all health services that require prior authorization as a condition of MHCP payment. The list is presented in sections Added Codes, and Changed Codes. The criteria used to develop this list are as follows:

- A. The health service could be considered, under some circumstances, to be of questionable medical necessity.
- B. Use of the health service needs monitoring to control the expenditure of program funds.
- C. Less costly, appropriate alternatives to the health service are generally available.
- D. The health service is investigative.
- E. The health service is newly developed or modified.
- F. The health service is of a continuing nature and requires monitoring to prevent its continuation when is ceases to be beneficial.
- G. The health service is comparable to a service provided in a skilled nursing facility or hospital but is provided in a recipient's home.
- H. The health service could be considered cosmetic.

This List of Health Services Requiring Prior Authorization is Presently in Effect. These Newly Added Codes Will Require Prior Authorization for Services Provided On or After February 5, 1996.

ADDED CODES

Service Service

Code Description

- G0030 PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following previous PET, G0030-G0047); single study, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
- G0031 PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following previous PET, G0030-G0047); multiple studies, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
- G0032 PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following rest spect, 78464); single study, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
- G0033 PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following rest spect, 78464); multiple studies, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
- G0034 PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following rest spect, 78465); single study, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
- G0035 PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following rest spect, 78465); multiple studies, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
- G0036 PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following coronary angiography, 93510-93529); single study, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
- G0037 PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following coronary angiography, 93510-93529); multiple studies, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
- G0038 PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following stress planar myocardial perfusion, 78460); single study, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
- G0039 PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following stress planar myocardial perfusion, 78460); multiple studies, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
- G0040 PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following stress echocardiogram, 93350); single study, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).

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G0041	PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following stress echocardiogram, 93350); multiple studies, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
G0042	PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following stress ventriculogram, 78481 or 78483); single study, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
G0043	PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following stress ventriculogram, 78481 or 78483); multiple studies, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
G0044	PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following rest ECG, 93000); single study, rest or stress (exercise and/or phar- macologic).
G0045	PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following rest ECG, 93000); multiple studies, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
G0046	PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following rest ECG, 93015); single study, rest or stress (exercise and/or phar- macologic).
G0047	PET myocardial perfusion imaging, (following rest ECG, 93015); multiple studies, rest or stress (exercise and/or pharmacologic).
78459	Myocardial imaging, positron emission tomography (PET), metabolic evaluation
78810	Tumor imaging, positron emission tomography (PET), metabolic evaluation
92525	Evaluation of swallowing and oral function for feeding.
CHANGE	D CODES
Service <u>Code</u>	Service Description
95883	Changed to 96117. Neuropsychological testing battery (eg, Halstead-Reitan, Luria, WAIS-R) with interpretation

Department of Human Services

and report, per hour.

Notice of Change in Hearing Date in the Matter of the Proposed Amendment of the Rule of the State Department of Human Services Governing Payment Rates for Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation or Related Conditions, *Minnesota Rules*, Parts 9553.0010-9553.0080

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the date of the public hearing on the above-entitled matter, formerly scheduled for February 7, 1996, has been changed. The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 1996, in the auditorium of Metropolitan State University, 700 E. Seventh St., St. Paul, Minnesota 55106. The hearing will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will continue until all interested or affected persons have an opportunity to participate. The proposed rules may be modified as a result of the hearing process. Therefore, if you are affected in any manner by the proposed rules, you are urged to participate in the rule hearing process.

Following the agency's presentation at the hearing, all interested or affected persons will have an opportunity to participate. Such persons may present their views either orally at the hearing or in writing at any time before the close of the hearing record. All evidence presented should be pertinent to the matter at hand.

Written material not submitted at the time of the hearing which is to be included in the hearing record may be mailed to Phyllis Reha, Administrative Law Judge, Office of Administrative Hearings, 100 Washington Square #1700, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401-2138; telephone (612) 341-7602, either before the hearing or within five working days after the public hearing ends. The Administrative Law Judge may, at the hearing, order the record be kept open for a longer period not to exceed 20 calendar days. Any written material or responses must be received at the office no later than 4:30 p.m. on the final day. The comments received during the comment period shall be available for review at the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Following the close of the comment period the agency and all interested persons have five business days to respond in writing to any new information submitted during the comment period. During the five-day period, the agency may indicate in writing whether there are amendments suggested by other persons which the agency is willing to adopt. No additional evidence may be submitted during the five-day period. Any written material or responses must be received at the office no later than 4:30 p.m. on the final day. The written responses shall be added to the rulemaking record.

Upon the close of the record the Administrative Law Judge will write a report as provided for in *Minnesota Statutes*, section 14.50. The rule hearing is governed by *Minnesota Statutes*, section 14.14 to 14.20 and by *Minnesota Rules*, parts 1400.0200 to 1400.1200. Ouestions about procedure may be directed to the Administrative Law Judge.

The proposed rule amendments are about payment rates for intermediate care facilities for persons with mental retardation and related issues such as cost classification and allocation procedures, allowable and nonallowable costs, documentation and reporting requirements, and others. The statutory authority to amend the rule is *Minnesota Statutes*, section 256B.501.

Copies of the proposed rules are now available and at least one free copy may be obtained by writing to Asha Sharma. A copy of the rule may also be viewed at any of the 87 county welfare agencies. The amendment's fiscal impact on the counties or state will be less than \$100,000. A copy of the fiscal note is available from Asha Sharma.

Additional copies will be available at the hearing. If you have any questions on the content of the rule, contact Asha Sharma.

NOTICE: Any person may request notification of the date on which the Administrative Law Judge's report will be available, after which date the agency may not take any final action on the rules for a period for five working days. If you desire to be notified, you may so indicate at the hearing. After the hearing, you may request notification by sending a written request to the Administrative Law Judge. Any person may request notification of the date on which the rules were adopted and filed with the secretary of state. The notice must be mailed on the same day the rules are filed. If you want to be so notified you may so indicate at the hearing to the agency at any time prior to the filing of the rules with the secretary of state.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Statement of Need and Reasonableness is now available for review at the agency and at the Office of Administrative Hearings. The Statement of Need and Reasonableness includes a summary of all the evidence and argument which the agency anticipates presenting at the hearing justifying both the need for and reasonableness of the proposed rules. Copies of the Statement of Need and Reasonableness may be reviewed at the agency or the Office of Administrative Hearings and copies may be obtained from the Office of Administrative Hearings at the cost of reproduction.

Lobbyists must register with the State Ethical Practices Board. Questions should be directed to the Ethical Practices Board, 1st Floor, Centennial Office Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, (612) 296-5148.

Dated: 26 January 1996

Maria R. Gomez Commissioner

Department of Labor and Industry

Labor Standards Division

Notice of Prevailing Wage Certifications for Commercial Construction Projects

Effective February 2, 1996 prevailing wage rates were determined and certified for commercial construction projects in the following counties:

Anoka: L.O. Jacobs Elementary School Electric Service Upgrade-Coon Rapids; Lincoln Service Upgrade-Anoka; Underground Storage Tank Removal and Installation-Circle Pines; Underground Storage Tank Removal and Installation-Anoka.

Carver: Chaska Town Course Maintenance Facility-Chaska.

Cass: Ah Gwah Ching Center Dietary Kitchen Remodeling-Walker.

Cook: North Shore Commercial Fishing Museum-Tofle.

Crow Wing: Central Lakes College Security Systems-Brainerd.

Dakota: Modification of Toilet Rooms for ADA Compliance in Bldg 20,23,24 & 25 and Interior Signage in Bldg 23, 1st Floor and Bldg 25-Hastings.

Hennepin: Building Remodeling-Annual Contract-Minneapolis: U of M Admission Remodeling 240/260 Williamson-A/V Equipment-Minneapolis; ADA & Life Safety Improvements to Willard/Gordon Schools-Minneapolis; Remodeling Work on Bldgs 6,9,16 & 17 at Mpls Veterans Home-Minneapolis; Entrance Plaza Renovation for Centennial Hall-U/M-Minneapolis; Heating System Replacement for Frontier Hall-U/M-Minneapolis; Lighting Upgrades-Phase 3-Minneapolis; Como Housing Siding Replacement Phase II-Minneapolis; Morris Park School Asbestos Abatement-Minneapolis; Loring School Asbestos Abatement-Minneapolis; Addition and Alterations to Bryn Mawr Elementary School-Minneapolis.

Koochiching: Koochiching County Courthouse-Window Replacement-International Falls.

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Ramsey: MWWTP Secondary Treatment Improvement Project-St Paul; State Office Building Elevator Modernization-St Paul; Groveland Park Elementary School Asbestos Abatement/July 1996-St Paul; Ramsey Jr. High Asbestos Abatement-St Paul.

St Louis: Renovation of Six Classrooms at U of M Duluth-Duluth.

Todd: Grey Eagle Elementary School Elevator and Stair Addition-Grey Eagle.

Watonwan: Farmland Wildlife Research Center (Formerly Madelia Research)-Madelia.

Winona: Winona High School Elevator and Stair Addition-Winona.

Copies of the certified wage rate for these projects may be obtained by writing the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Prevailing Wage Section, 443 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4306. The charge for the cost of copying and mailing are \$1.36 per project. Make check or money order payable to the State of Minnesota.

Gary W. Bastian, Commissioner

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Public Meeting on Proposed Procedures and Criteria for Selecting Requests for Regional Transit Capital Funds

The Metropolitan Council will hold a public meeting on proposed procedures and project selection criteria for regional transit capital funds. These procedures and criteria will be used by the Council to solicit, prioritize and select transit capital requests from those providers of transit services that are eligible to receive operating funds from the Metropolitan Council for transit service within the seven-county Twin Cities Metropolitan Area.

The public meeting will be held as follows:

Public Meeting on Proposed Procedures and Criteria for Selecting Requests for Regional Transit Capital Funds

6 p.m., Tuesday, February 20, 1996 Metropolitan Council Chambers Mears Park Centre 230 East Fifth Street St. Paul. MN

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the meeting and offer comments. People may register in advance to speak by calling 229-2758 or 291-0904 (TTY). Upon request, the Council will provide reasonable accommodations to persons with disabilities.

Comments may be made several ways in addition to speaking at the meeting. Written comments, which must be received by 5 p.m., Wednesday, February 21, 1996, should be sent to Jim Barton, Transportation Division, Metropolitan County, Mears Park Centre, 230 E. Fifth St., St. Paul, MN 55101. Comments may be faxed to Mr. Barton at 229-2739. Comments may be recorded on the Public Hearing Comment Line at 291-6536. Comments also may be sent by e-mail to: data.center@metc.state.mn.us

Copies of the public meeting drafts of Proposed Procedures and Project Selection Criteria for the Metropolitan Council Regional Transit Capital Funds are available through the Council's Data Center. Call 291-8140 or 291-0904 (TTY) to request a copy.

Minnesota Health Care Commission

Health Technology Advisory Committee (HTAC)

Notice of: 1) Availability of Preliminary HTAC Report on Post-Delivery Care and Stabilization of Mother and Newborn; and

2) Solicitation of Written Comments

The Health Technology Advisory Committee (HTAC) of the Minnesota Health Care Commission is charged under *Minnesota* Statutes 62J.152 with conducting evaluations of specific technologies and their specific use and application. For the purposes of evaluation, the definition of technologies in statute includes "... drugs, devices, procedures, or processes applied to human health care" As part of the evaluation process, HTAC is required to submit a preliminary report to the Minnesota Health Care Commission, and to solicit written comments on the report.

The HTAC has completed its preliminary technology evaluation report on the evaluation of Post- Delivery Care and Stabilization of Mother and Newborn. Any interested individuals or organizations may submit written comments regarding this technology evaluation report within 30 days from the publication of this notice to the attention of Laurisa Rosenow at:

Minnesota Health Care Commission/Health Technology Advisory Committee 121 East 7th Place, Suite 400 P.O. Box 64975 St. Paul, MN 55164-0975 Fax: 612-282-5628

For questions regarding the HTAC technology evaluation process, or to obtain a copy of the full preliminary report on the evaluation of Post-Delivery Care and Stabilization of Mother and Newborn, please contact Laurisa Rosenow at 612-282-6374.

Post-Delivery Care and Stabilization of Mother and Newborn: Executive Summary

Description

Early hospital discharge following delivery has become a focus of concern in providing appropriate postpartum care for both mother and infant. Although the trend toward early discharge was originally consumer driven during the 1970's as a means of focusing on child birth as a family centered experience, current motives for early discharge are largely driven by changes in the primary function of hospitals and by a perception that insurers will not cover longer stays.

Early discharge has been defined in various ways in the literature, generally referring to a time period of between 24 and 48 hours after delivery. In actual practice, a twenty-four hour stay may be 13 - 35 hours, depending on when the mother delivers. A patient who delivers at 11:00 p.m. for example, might be discharged at noon the following day (13 hour stay). A patient who delivers at 1:00 a.m., however, might not be discharged until noon the next day (35 hour stay).

Minnesota statistics demonstrate a trend toward early discharge. In 1985, only 6.2% of infants in the Twin Cities metropolitan area (delivered vaginally without complications) were discharged at 24 hours, while first quarter 1995 statistics indicate that 42.5% of infants were discharged at 24 hours.

As current health care practices require patients to play a more active consumer role in their care, this report attempts to identify the issues surrounding early discharge as they relate to the health and well being of the mother and infant. Recently, there has been discussion regarding the advisability of mandating that insurers pay for a minimum of 48 hours of hospitalization following delivery. In actual practice, however, the time of discharge cannot be evaluated independently of a continuum of care from the prepartum through the postpartum period. This report attempts to identify the medical, physical, social, emotional, and psychological issues related to the appropriate care of mother and baby in the postpartum period, with the objective of reframing the debate from a discussion of discharge timing to a focus on the care that mothers and newborns should receive in the post-delivery period.

Conclusions

To date, data are inconclusive in demonstrating either a positive or negative correlation between optimal outcome of pregnancies and length of stay following delivery. Local and community-wide research to address many of the concerns related to discharge is needed.

The birth of each child is unique, with a multitude of factors (e.g., physical status of mother and infant, availability of social support at home and in the community, resources within the hospital) each affecting the outcome. With the goal of ensuring optimal care for both mother and child, the decision of when discharge occurs following birth should be done on an individual basis. Care systems need to develop appropriate programs to meet the unique needs of their patients within the context of their communities.

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Through the utilization of medical assessment and community resource assessment, individualized discharge plans can and should be established. Therefore, a legislative mandate of any minimum requirement of length of stay would be inappropriate and unnecessary. Care is not adequately measured in terms of hours. The needs of each mother and baby must be assessed on an individual basis, and care delivered in a manner that makes the most sense for each unique birth situation. We should begin to think of the continuum of care for the mother and baby, and start to discuss the importance of establishing appropriate plans for the post-delivery care and stabilization of mother and newborn.

The guidelines put forth by the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology may serve as a basis for meeting the minimum discharge criteria. See the Conclusions section of the full report for the specific discharge criteria recommendations.

Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority

Notice of Public Hearing on Revenue Obligations

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority (the "Authority") with respect to a proposal to issue revenue bonds or other obligations on behalf of Augsburg College, a Minnesota nonprofit corporation and institution of higher education (the "College"), at the Authority's offices at Suite 450 Galtier Plaza, 175 East Fifth Street, St. Paul, Minnesota on February 21, 1996 at 2:00 p.m. Under the proposal, the Authority would issue its revenue bonds or other obligations in an original aggregate principal amount of up to approximately \$15,310,000 to finance a project generally described as (i) the acquisition, construction, furnishing and equipping of a Library and Information Technology Center, which will be approximately 75,000 gross square feet when completed; (ii) the refunding of the Authority's outstanding Lease, Series Three-P (Augsburg College—Subleasee), dated April 23, 1993, originally issued to finance the acquisition and installation of AstroTurf surface for, and an inflatable air structure over Anderson-Nelson Athletic Field; and (iii) the refunding of the Authority's outstanding construction and installation of a new campus telecommunications system, including wiring upgrade and a new administrative computer system and equipment and software (collectively, the "Project"), owned or to be owned and operated by the College and located on its main campus, the principal street address of which is 2211 Riverside Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55454.

At said time and place the Authority shall give all parties who appear or have submitted written comments an opportunity to express their views with respect to the proposal to undertake and finance the Project.

Dated: 29 January 1996

By Order Of The Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority J. Luther Anderson Executive Director

Pollution Control Agency

Notice to Solicit Outside Information and Opinion in the Matter of Proposed Rule Amendments to *Minnesota Rules*, ch. 7040; Governing Sewage Sludge Management

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is seeking opinions, information and comments from sources outside the MPCA to assist in the preparation of proposed amendments to rules governing the management of sewage sludge in Minnesota, as found in *Minnesota Rules* ch. 7040. The amendment of this rule is authorized by *Minnesota Statute* § 116.07, subd. 4, and requires the MPCA to have standards for the processing and disposal of sewage sludge to prevent, abate, or control water pollution.

Minnesota Rules ch 7040 includes rules governing the design, location, and operation of sewage sludge landspreading sites and facilities, and the corresponding permit program as administered by the MPCA. Proposed rule amendments will incorporate new federal regulations for sewage sludge management as found in the Code of Federal Regulations, title 40, part 503 (1993).

The MPCA is seeking information or opinions from interested parties concerning the subject matter and proposed amendments of the rule. Issues to be addressed in the development rule amendments include: agronomic application rates; minimum suitable soil requirements; landspreading on frozen and snow covered ground; landspreading on non-agricultural land; sewage sludge metal concentrations and pollutant loading limits. Persons likely to be affected by proposed rule amendments include wastewater treatment plant operators and those interested in water quality in Minnesota.

In 1993, the MPCA initiated planning and development work for this rule amendment effort. On December 13, 1993, the MPCA published an initial Notice to Solicit Outside Information and Opinion in the *State Register* (18 S.R. 24). This Notice announced that the MPCA intended to develop proposed amendments to *Minnesota Rules* 7040 over a two year period, that the MPCA planned to hold round table discussions with wastewater treatment plant operators and county solid waste officers, that the MPCA planned to form an advisory committee, and that the MPCA intended to develop proposed rule amendments that would incorporate federal regulations for sewage sludge, *Code of Federal Regulations*, title 40, part 503 (effective February 19, 1993). In 1994, the Agency held round table discussions with wastewater treatment plant operators and county solid waste officers to discuss the development of the rule amendments. From 1995 - 1996, the MPCA utilized an advisory committee to participate in the development of proposed rule amendments. Committee members consist of representatives from the United State Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service, Metropolitan Council Wastewater Services, University of Minnesota Department of Soil Science and Extension Service, Consulting Engineers Council, Municipal Wastewater Operators Association, and the Minnesota Section of Central States Water Environmental Association.

Because of the two-year timeframe in planning and developing the rule amendment effort, interested persons or groups may again submit data or views concerning the subject matter of the rule in writing or orally. All statements of information and opinion will be accepted by the MPCA until 4:30 P.M. (CST) on Thursday, March 7, 1996; and will become a part of the rulemaking record. In the event that rule amendments are adopted, all comments will be submitted to the assigned administrative law judge as required by law. Persons wanting more information about the advisory committee, the 1994 round table discussions, or a copy of MPCA's proposed draft rule amendments which are expected to be available mid-February, 1996, may also contact the MPCA staff listed below.

Jorja DeFresne, Sludge Coordinator Telephone: (612) 296-9292 Charlotte Morrison, Rule Revision Coordinator Telephone: (612) 296-7229 Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Point Source Compliance Section 520 Lafayette Road North Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155-4194 Minnesota Toll Free: 1-800-657-3864 FAX: (612) 297-8683 TDD: (612) 282-5332

> Charles W. Williams Commissioner

Pollution Control Agency

Ground Water and Solid Waste Division

Supplemental Notice Soliciting Public Comment Regarding Proposed Rule Amendments to Selected Portions of Solid Waste Management Rules, *Minnesota Rules* chs. 7001 and 7035; and Solid Waste Facility Operator/Inspector Certification Rules, *Minnesota Rules* ch. 7048

Notice was previously published in the May 22, 1995, *State Register* (19 S.R. 2274) that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is soliciting public comment in preparing to propose amendments to certain sections of the Minnesota Solid Waste Rules. This notice identifies some new areas for proposed rule amendments. This notice extends the period for seeking information or opinions from sources outside the MPCA on amendments to the following sections of the Minnesota Solid Waste Rules:

- Financial Assurance Requirements for Solid Waste Facilities (Minnesota Rules 7035.2665 through 7035.2805)
- Annual Reports and Recordkeeping by Solid Waste Facilities (Minnesota Rules 7035.2575 and 7035.2585)
- Permit Conditions for Solid Waste Facilities (Minnesota Rules 7001.0150, 7001.0560, 7001.3500 and 7001.3175)
- Training Requirements and Method of Payment for Solid Waste Facility Operator Certification Fees (Minnesota Rules 7035.2545, 7048.0800 and 7048.1000)

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- Denial of Continued Operation of Solid Waste Facilities (Minnesota Rules 7001.3125)
- Permit Modifications following Change of Ownership or Control (Minnesota Rules 7001.0190)
- Solid Waste Land Disposal Facility Technical Requirements and Permit Conditions (*Minnesota Rules* 7001.0150, 7035.0605, 7035.2615 and 7035.2815)
- Definitions relating to Design Capacity, Demolition Waste, Free Liquid and Leachate Management, and Wetland for Solid Waste Facilities (*Minnesota Rules* 7035.0300)
- Solid Waste Transfer Facilities (Minnesota Rules 7001.3050, 7035.2525, 7035.2855 and 7035.2865)
- Collection and Transportation of Solid Waste (Minnesota Rules 7035.0800)
- Demolition Debris Land Disposal Facilities (Minnesota Rules 7001.3050, 7001.3425, and 7035.2825)
- Industrial Solid Waste Land Disposal Facilities (Minnesota Rules 7035.1700, 7035.1800 and 7035.2525)
- Industrial Solid Waste Management Plans (Minnesota Rules 7001.3300 and 7035.2535)
- Ground water analysis at Municipal Solid Waste Combustor Ash Disposal Facilities (Minnesota Rules 7035.2885)

The adoption of the rules is authorized by *Minnesota Statutes* § 116.07, subds. 2, 4, 4g and 4h, which require the MPCA to adopt rules for the control of the collection, transportation, storage, processing and disposal of solid waste, for closure and postclosure care of solid waste disposal facilities, and for proof of financial responsibility by operators or owners of solid waste disposal facilities.

During the week after publication of the original notice, *Minnesota Laws* 1995, ch. 233, became effective. Chapter 233, art. 2, section 11 (codified as *Minnesota Statutes* § 14.101) requires publication of certain information prior to publishing notice of intent to adopt the rules or a notice of hearing. This supplemental notice provides that additional information as well as other information that may be of interest to the public. This supplemental notice adds more detail on the items described in the previous notice, and also sets out new concepts that the MPCA staff is considering and invites public comment upon. This notice also gives notice of the possibility that a separate rulemaking governing compost facilities may be combined with this proceeding at a later date.

The proposed rule amendments involve the following subject matter. The MPCA staff wishes to allow permits for some or all types of solid waste facilities to last for ten years rather than five years. The MPCA staff wishes to clarify when changes in ownership or control require modifications of a facility permit. The MPCA staff is considering changes to the rules to specify procedures for notifying the host county, city or township prior to siting of disposal facilities. The MPCA staff wishes to correct and refine language in the current rules requiring solid waste facility operators to file a "deed notation" describing their facility.

The MPCA staff wishes to change annual reporting deadlines for solid waste facilities from February 1 to March 1, and to have this date apply to industrial solid waste landfills, which now must report quarterly. The MPCA staff wishes to have the rule relating to the MPCA's authority to deny continued operation apply not merely to land disposal facilities, but to all types of solid waste facilities. The MPCA staff is interested in incorporating waste prevention, reuse and recycling opportunities into the subject matter of the rules, where appropriate. The MPCA staff is considering changes and updates to the operating record, record retention and annual reporting requirements at solid waste facilities. In the interest of reducing accounting problems for clients and the MPCA, the MPCA staff wishes to alter the means of fee payment for certification of solid waste facility operators and inspectors from two separate fees to a single initial payment, half of which would be refundable for persons failing to pass the examination. The MPCA staff also wishes to have certification requirements for operators of industrial solid waste landfills match those for operators of mixed municipal solid waste (MMSW) landfills.

The MPCA staff wishes to clarify the conditions under which the MPCA would (or may) incorporate select MMSW-landfill design and operational requirements into the permits drafted for industrial and demolition landfills. The MPCA staff decision will take into consideration the circumstances and waste characteristics of each landfill. The MPCA wishes to modify definitions that would clarify acceptable materials in demolition and industrial landfills; what constitutes wetlands for purposes of siting solid waste facilities; design capacity of a landfill; and proper management of leachate. Definitions for closure and postclosure care may also be addressed.

The MPCA staff will be considering additional limitations on, or elimination of, permit-by-rule provisions for land disposal of demolition debris. The MPCA staff is considering changes to the rules that would link county licensing of solid waste disposal facilities to the issuance of permits by rule for demolition-debris disposal facilities. If adopted, these changes would turn over issuance and compliance visits for such facilities to counties that have licensing in place. The MPCA staff is considering changes that would reduce the uses of, and volume allowances and duration of demolition debris disposal permit-by-rule facilities, with possible additional allowances for disposal of wastes generated during periods of public emergency. The MPCA staff intends to incorporate the current "notification" form or the equivalent into the procedures for applying for, and obtaining, a permit-by-rule.

As to permitted demolition-debris landfills, the MPCA staff is considering changes to the locational requirements, survey requirements before and after closure, water quality monitoring requirements, and hydrogeologic evaluation requirements included



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in permitting. The MPCA staff will be considering additional criteria for when financial assurance might be required under *Minnesota Rules* 7035.2825, subp. 13, at permitted demolition landfill facilities. In addition, criteria and instruments for financial assurance for industrial land disposal facilities will be under consideration.

The MPCA staff is amending financial assurance requirements at solid waste disposal facilities. Possible financial assurance rule amendments include: repealing the hardship provisions for trust funds, allowing unit-based (at a dollar figure per ton or per cubic yard) pay-in rates for trust funds, limiting operating life for the purpose of meeting financial assurance obligations to a maximum of ten years, clarifying when costs are reimbursable, requiring approval of cost estimates that decrease the facility owner's or operator's total financial assurance obligation, simplifying the method for calculating the contingency action cost estimate, allowing letters of credit to match more closely costs that have accrued at a given point in time, repealing surety bond mechanisms, reducing the amount and type of collateral for self-insurance mechanisms, changing requirements for reporting inflated cost estimates and mechanism status information, and changing the method for calculating present value cost estimates and trust fund payments.

The MPCA staff is considering updates to requirements for transfer stations to follow more closely advances in technology and business practices. This may include training requirements for personnel such as those staffing the tipping floor. The MPCA staff is considering providing detail in the rules on proper practices at solid waste transfer facilities that are not fixed in location, sometimes referred to as "mobile transfer stations." The MPCA staff is considering changes that would link county licensing of solid waste operations to issuance of permits for "permit-by-rule" transfer facilities, and would pass issuing and compliance authority to these counties. Other changes to provisions for permit-by-rule transfer facilities may be made. The MPCA staff is also considering changes to the rules governing the collection and transportation of solid waste that would require reporting by solid waste collectors on a statewide basis, perhaps through county solid waste departments.

The MPCA staff is also considering changes intended to update siting, operational, closure and postclosure requirements at MMSW land disposal facilities. Many of these changes relate to the monitoring of, and criteria for, water contamination and land-fill gas migration. Other changes are intended to bring Minnesota landfill requirements into conformance with federal standards, to reduce surveying requirements after closure, to incorporate Health Risk Limit criteria and to specify actions to be taken where land-fill gas approaches dangerous concentrations. The MPCA staff is considering changes to siting criteria that would require consideration of whether a new proposed landfill would be located in a wellhead protection zone.

The MPCA staff is considering setting out a process by which MMSW landfill operators would qualify materials other than soil as alternative cover materials, including certain wastes. The MPCA staff is considering changes to the "free liquid" definition insofar as the current definition appears to ban incidental rainwater and snowmelt carried aboard trucks bringing waste for disposal. The MPCA staff intends to add three field parameters (turbidity, dissolved oxygen and well depth) to the list of observations required in ground water sampling at MMSW land disposal facilities, to delete one observation (oxidation potential), and to update and expand the list of volatile organic chemicals for which ground water testing is required. The MPCA staff is considering comparable updates to requirements for ground water testing at Municipal Solid Waste combustor ash land disposal facilities. The MPCA staff is considering changes to the procedure for characterizing industrial wastes going to MMSW facilities such that the information and actions currently required in an Industrial Solid Waste Management Plan would be simplified and streamlined.

The MPCA requests comments concerning the subject matter of the rules. Interested persons or groups may submit their comments in writing or orally. Written statements on the subjects described above should be addressed to:

Jim Chiles Ground Water and Solid Waste Division Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North St. Paul, MN 55155-4194

Oral statements will be received during regular business hours over the telephone at the following numbers: Cristine Leavitt, (612) 296-8439, as to financial assurance provisions; Cathy Latham,

(612) 296-8585, as to demolition landfilling, industrial landfilling and operator certification requirements; and Jim Chiles, (612) 296-7273, as to the remaining subject matter. Comments may also be received in person at the above address. Draft rule amendments may be obtained by contacting Jim Chiles.

Groups affected by this rulemaking include disposal facility and transfer facility permit holders, waste generators, waste collectors, engineering concerns, construction contractors, community groups, citizens living next to disposal facilities, environmental groups, trade associations and local governments.

The MPCA will accept comments on the subject matter of the proposals until publication of the notice of intent to adopt rules, which is expected in the summer of 1996. Rulemaking proceedings are expected to be complete by January 1997.

The MPCA has created four informal advisory groups to aid in the development of the rule amendments. These groups began meeting in October 1995. These groups are organized into these subject headings: financial assurance requirements at land dis-

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posal facilities; transfer stations and haulers of waste; demolition and industrial landfills; and MMSW landfill operations. The four groups are expected to complete their work in February 1996 or earlier. The meetings are open to the public.

As described in the introduction to this notice, the MPCA may in the future also incorporate another set of rulemaking into the above process, pending future developments in that rulemaking process. Notice was previously published in the April 10, 1995, *State Register* (19 S.R. 2095) and the July 31, 1995, *State Register* (20 S.R. 207) that the MPCA was seeking comments on the subject matter of the proposals for amendments to the rule governing compost facilities. The subject matter of the rule amendments is the classification of compost in order to ease marketing, distribution, and end use of the compost product. A notice will appear in the *State Register* if this decision is made.

Public Employees Retirement Association

Board of Trustees, Notice of Meeting

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) will be held on Thursday, February 8, 1996 at 9:30 a.m. in the offices of the association, 514 St. Peter Street, Suite 200, Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Office of the Secretary of State

Notice of Vacancies in Multi-Member Agencies

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the public that vacancies have occurred in multi-member state agencies, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* 15.0597, subdivision 4. Application forms may be obtained from the Office of the Secretary of State, Open Appointments, 180 State Office Building, 100 Constitution Ave., St. Paul, MN 55155-1299; (612) 297-5845, or in person at Room 174 of the State Office Building. In accordance with the Minnesota Open Appointments Law, the Secretary of State acts as an administrator in publishing vacancies, receiving applications, and recording appointments. Applications will be reviewed and appointments made by the Appointing Authorities for these various agencies. Completed applications are to be submitted to the Secretary of State by February 27, 1996. Appointing Authorities for these agencies may also choose to review applications received by the Secretary of State after that date. Applications are kept on file for a one year period.

The 1994 Annual Compilation and Statistical Report is now available from the Minnesota Bookstore. This publication includes a complete listing of state boards and councils that follow the Open Appointments process, descriptions of these agencies and their memberships, and statistical information about appointments and vacancies made during the 1994 fiscal year. The 1994 Annual Compilation also indicates members with terms that end in January 1995 as open for application; many of these positions may still be open. To order copies of the 1994 Annual Compilation please call the Minnesota Bookstore at 297-3000 or 1-800-657-3757.

ACUPUNCTURE ADVISORY COUNCIL Board of Medical Practice, 2700 University Ave. W., #106 St. Paul, MN 55114-1080. 612-642-0538. *Minnesota Statutes* 147B.05.

APPOINTING AUTHORITY: Board of Medical Practices (19).

COMPENSATION: \$55 per diem.

VACANCY: One vacancy: Must have practiced acupuncture at least three years and must be currently NCCA certified.

Council advises Board of Medical Practice regarding acupuncture standards and the complaint/discipline process, and provides for distribution of information regarding standards. The council consists of 7 members, 4 acupuncture practitioners who meet licensure requirements and have practiced acupuncture at least 3 years, 1 licensed physician who also practices acupuncture, 1 licensed chiropractor who is NCCA certified, 1 public member who has received acupuncture treatment as primary therapy from NCCA certified acupuncturist. The council will meet bimonthly at the Board of Medical Practice Office, the meetings will last about 2 hours. Appointments pending. The council expires June 30, 1997, *Minnesota Statutes* 15.059, subd. 5, as amended Laws 1995.

COMMON DETECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE 90 West Plato Blvd. St. Paul, MN 55107 612-296-1161. *Minnesota Statutes* 15.014.

APPOINTING AUTHORITY: Commissioner of Agriculture.

COMPENSATION: Expenses as stated in MS 15.014, subd.2.

VACANCY: Ten vacancies: See the committee description for the membership requirements.

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The committee's sole function will be to make a recommendation to the Commissioner of Agriculture on which pesticides should be considered common detection. The committee consists of ten members including one member from a commodity group, one member from a local unit of government, one member from an environmental organization, one member from a pesticide retailer, one pesticide registrant member, one crop producer member, one member from state government, one member from the College of Agriculture, one member from the Minnesota Extension Service and one member from a crop protection organization. Meeting schedule has not yet been determined. The council does not expire.

COUNCIL ON AFFAIRS OF SPANISH-SPEAKING PEOPLE 50 Sherburne Ave. St. Paul, MN 55155. 612-296-9587. Minnesota Statutes 3.9223.

APPOINTING AUTHORITY: Governor (01).

COMPENSATION: \$55 per diem.

VACANCY: One vacancy: Representative of greater Minnesota.

The council advises the Governor and legislature on issues affecting the Spanish-speaking community. The council consists of seven members reflecting the demographic composition of Minnesota's Spanish-speaking community, including migrant workers, as determined by the state demographer. Monthly meetings. The council expires June 30, 1997 per *Minnesota Statutes* 15.059 subd. 5 as amended by *Laws of 1993*.

MINNESOTA BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS PEER REVIEW COMMITTEE 2700 University Ave. W., Suite 20, St. Paul, MN 55114-1089. 612-642-0591. *Minnesota Statutes* 148.106.

APPOINTING AUTHORITY: Executive Director, Minnesota Board of Chiropractic Examiners (07).

COMPENSATION: \$55 per diem.

VACANCY: Two vacancies: Two professional members, must be available to attend first meeting on Tuesday, April 9, 1996 at 12: 30 p.m.



The committee makes determinations of whether or not certain chiropractors properly utilized services rendered or ordered appropriate treatment or service, and if the cost of treatment was unconscionable. The committee consists of seven members, including five chiropractors and two consumer members. Terms are one year in length. Members may serve two full terms. Applications may be submitted at any time and are retained and considered for two years. The committee meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 12:30 p.m. at the MN Board of Chiropractic Examiners' office. The committee does not expire.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE Department of Public Safety, North Central Life Tower, Suite 1000, 445 Minnesota St., St. Paul, MN 55101. 612-296-8453. Laws of 1994, Chapter 647.

APPOINTING AUTHORITY: Governor (01), Commissioner of Public Safety (23).

COMPENSATION: \$55 per diem, plus expenses.

VACANCY: One vacancy: Parent member.

The committee shall report to the Governor and legislature on issues of school bus safety. The committee consists of seventeen members including: the Commissioner of Education or designee, the Commissioner of Human Rights or designee, a county or city attorney, a representative of the state patrol, a school board member, a school superintendent, two school bus drivers, one representing the metropolitan area and one representing greater Minnesota, two school transportation contractors, one representing the metropolitan area and one representing greater Minnesota, two school transportation safety directors, one representing the metropolitan area and one representing greater Minnesota. The Commissioner of Public Safety, in consultation with the Commissioner of Education, shall appoint these members. The Governor shall appoint five public members, including at least four parents of children who ride a school bus, among them a parent of a child with a disability. The public members shall be geographically representative. The Commissioner of Public Safety or designee shall chair the committee. The committee shall meet quarterly or as required by the chair. Meeting location and schedule is not determined at this time. The committee expires June 30, 1997 per *Minnesota Statutes* 15.059, subd. 5 as amended by *Laws of 1993*.

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In addition to requests by state agencies for technical/professional services (published in the State Contracts section), the *State Register* also publishes notices about grant funds available through any agency or branch of state government. Although some grant programs specifically require printing in a statewide publication such as the *State Register*, there is no requirement for publication in the *State Register Register* itself.

Agencies are encouraged to publish grant notices, and to provide financial estimates as well as sufficient time for interested parties to respond.

Department of Children, Families and Learning

Notice of Application for Grants to Establish the Learning Network of Minnesota; Statutory Reference, Laws of Minnesota, 1995, 1st Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 12

The 1995 Legislature expanded the membership of the Higher Education Telecommunications Council to include representatives of K-12 education. The new Minnesota Education Telecommunications Council is charged with setting policy, criteria, and standards for a telecommunications highway for libraries, K-12 and post secondary education. This highway, known as the Learning Network of Minnesota, will provide access to expanded and enhanced learning opportunities and information resources such as Internet regardless of time and location through the use of communications and information technologies.

To aid in the establishment of the Learning Network of Minnesota, the 1995 Legislature appropriated \$10.5 million dollars over the current biennium to provide school districts and libraries with connectivity to the Network. This funding, administered by the Minnesota Education Telecommunications Council, is to be distributed in the form of grants to groups of 10 or more school districts and/or any regional public library system or existing technology cooperative.

For additional information or to obtain an application packet, please contact Mary Mehsikomer at (612)296-2752 or via e-mail at Mary.Mehsikomer@state.mn.us.

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Department of Administration procedures require that notice of any consultant services contract or professional and technical services contract which has an estimated cost of over \$10,000 be printed in the *State Register*. These procedures also require that the following information be included in the notice: name of contact person, agency name and address, description of project and tasks, cost estimate, and final submission date of completed contract proposal. Certain quasi-state agencies are exempted from some of the provisions of this statute.

In accordance with *Minnesota Rules* Part 1230.1910, certified Targeted Group Businesses and individuals submitting proposals as prime contractors shall receive the equivalent of a 6% preference in the evaluation of their proposal. For information regarding certification, call the Materials Management Helpline (612)296-2600 or [TDD (612)297-5353 and ask for 296-2600].

Department of Corrections

Request for Information (RFI) for an Inmate Accounting/Canteen System

The Minnesota Department of Corrections is soliciting information from qualified vendors regarding the availability of automated information systems to process cashless inmate banking, payroll, and a point of sale canteen. The system must comply with all applicable laws and administrative rules governing the operation of inmate accounting and canteen and must meet specifications provided as part of the RFI. A complete statement of the state's requirements and other terms and conditions governing this RFI may be obtained by contacting:

Connie Nelson MCF-Faribault 1101 Linden Lane Faribault, MN 55021-6400 (507) 334-0707

All information must be received by 4:30 p.m. on March 8, 1996



Notice of Request for Proposals for Providing Optometric Service to the Inmate Population

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Correctional Facility-Faribault is requesting proposals for providing optometric service to the inmate population. The contract period is March 15, 1996 to June 30, 1997. The estimated contract is \$16,000.

Specific details on the purpose and scope of this service and/or a copy of the "Request for Proposal" can be obtained by calling Jan Hanlon, MCF-Faribault, Health Services Administrator at (507) 334-0784. The proposal must be submitted by 4:00 PM on February 16, 1996. Send the proposals to: Jan Hanlon, MCF-Faribault, 1101 Linden Lane, Faribault, MN 55021.

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Request for Proposal for Consulting Services

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency expects to have available a Request for Proposal for Consulting Services on February 5, 1996. The services to be provided by a qualified consulting firm are to assist the Agency in a comprehensive analysis for the Agency's options for servicing its homeownership first and second mortgages internally. The objectives for this analysis are to understand and evaluate the following: the economic feasibility of servicing some or all of these loans internally; the impact on our customers if the servicing is transferred out-of-state as a result of an acquisition or merger of a local Minnesota service; the public policy implications of bringing servicing in-house; and the non-financial issues involved in bringing servicing in-house, such as the impact on customer service and personnel management issues.

Proposals are to be submitted to Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, Robin Hanson, Deputy Commissioner, 400 Sibley Street, Suite 300, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1998, no later than 12:00 p.m., noon, March 11, 1996. A copy of the request for proposal can be obtained by calling the Agency at 612/296-9813. Facsimile proposals will not be accepted.

Department of Human Services

Family and Children's Services Division

Minnesota Early Childhood Cultural Dynamics Training Project Request for Proposals (RFP) for Pilot Project Evaluation Services

This RFP is soliciting proposals to carry out a third-party evaluation of the methods used, lessons learned, and results achieved through the pilot phase of the Cultural Dynamics Training Project. Project staff will be available to assist evaluator(s) as needed and appropriate. The Department has estimated that the cost of this project will not exceed \$10,000. Project tasks will include but are not limited to:

- 1. Developing and implementing a research design that will:
 - a. Reflect a cross-cultural perspective in all relevant activities and data analysis.
 - b. Analyze the methods used to implement the pilot phase of the Cultural Dynamics project in terms of cost effectiveness, diversity issues, and impact on project participants.
 - c. Identify and describe lessons learned during the pilot phase of the project.
 - d. Provide a basis for making recommendations regarding statewide implementation of the project.
 - e. Measure project outcomes (e.g., trainers trained, providers trained, curriculum developed, training delivery system developed).
- 2. Submitting progress reports every other month to project coordinator outlining activities, data gathered, and next steps.
- 3. Preparing and delivering final report on the findings along with recommendations for future implementation of project goals.

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Copies of the full Request for Proposals are available on request from:

Carol Peirce, Project Coordinator Cultural Dynamics Training Project Department of Human Services Family & Children's Services Division 444 Lafayette Road St. Paul, MN 55155-3832 (612) 297-5302

All proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m., February 26, 1996.

State Board of Investment

Private Money Management Firms Sought

The Minnesota State Board of Investment (MSBI) retains private money management firms to manage a portion of the pension assets and other accounts under its control. Firms interested in managing domestic stock, international stock, domestic bond or global bond portfolios for the MSBI are asked to write to the following address for additional information:

External Manager Program Minnesota State Board of Investment Suite 105 MEA Building 55 Sherburne Avenue St. Paul, MN 55155

Please refer to this notice in your written request.

Department of Public Safety

Office of Personnel

Request for Proposals for Performance of Psychological Evaluations of State Patrol Trooper Candidates

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety is seeking proposals to assist in the development of job related psychological factors; testing and evaluation of 75 to 120 candidates; recommendation/rejection of candidates; performance of follow-up evaluations and responding to inquiries from candidates including assistance with any legal actions brought against the department in regard to these evaluations/determinations. Details are contained in a Request for Proposals which may be obtained by calling or writing:

Jean Rozeske Office of Personnel Department of Public Safety 444 Cedar Street Suite 100-G Town Square St. Paul, MN 55101-2156 (612) 296-8158

The estimated cost of the contract is \$31,000. The Department will retain an option to extend the contract for three additional one-year periods. Final date for submitting proposals is February 26, 1996, by 4:00 P.M.

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The State Register also serves as a central marketplace for contracts let out on bid by the public sector. The Register meets state and federal guidelines for statewide circulation of public notices. Any tax-supported institution or government jurisdiction may advertise contracts and requests for proposals from the private sector.

It is recommended that contracts and RFPs include the following: 1) name of contact person; 2) institution name, address, and telephone number; 3) brief description of project and tasks; 4) cost estimate; and 5) final submission date of completed contract proposal. Allow at least three weeks from publication date (four weeks from date article is submitted for publication). Surveys show that subscribers are interested in hearing about contracts for estimates as low as \$1,000. Contact the editor for further details.

Hennepin County

Notice of a Request for Proposals for the Transportation Modeling Phase of the Transportation Systems Plan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Hennepin County, Department of Public Works-Transportation Division desires to retain professional consulting assistance for the transportation modeling phase of the Transportation Systems Plan (HC-TSP). The HC-TSP's goal is to establish an on-going transportation planning process to anticipate and efficiently accommodate the travel mobility needs of the public, especially residents of Hennepin County.

The consultant's role will include providing assistance for the set-up, evaluation, and refinement of the metropolitan transportation forecasting model. The type of assistance will primarily be to provide advice and to identify options of approach rather than direct "hands on" analysis. The consultant will provide advice on finishing the installation of the 1990 Metropolitan Council transportation model, add the 1995 land use based trip generation, and developing refinements based on county needs and recent city studies. Development of evaluation methodologies, identification of comparison resources, and assistance with technical memorandum documentation will be provided by the consultant throughout the process. The product of this phase of the HC-TSP will be a calibrated 1995 county transportation model that adequately reflects existing conditions.

Copies of the Request for Proposals may be obtained from:

Hennepin County Transportation Division Transportation Planning Section 320 Washington Avenue South Hopkins, MN 55343-8468 Phone: (612) 930-2677

An estimated budget of \$25,000.00 has been established for this project. Responses to the Request for Proposals are due by 4:15 p.m. on Friday, February 16, 1996. Proposals should be submitted to the County at the above address.

Dated: 22 January 1996

Thomas D. Johnson Transportation Planning Engineer Hennepin County Department of Public Works

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Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Projects Under the Twin Cities Water Quality Initiative Grant Program

Purpose: The Twin Cities Water Quality Initiative Grant Program focuses on abating, controlling and preventing sources of pollution to the Mississippi, St. Croix and Minnesota Rivers. Projects that reduce phosphorus and Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) substances will be given priority.

Eligible Project Sponsors: Public entities including state, federal, county and city government; soil and water conservation districts; watershed management organizations; public schools; or trade and professional organizations. The project must be located in whole or in part within the seven-county metropolitan area. The sponsor of a project located only partly in the metro area must be a state agency, or a governmental entity with jurisdiction in the metro area.

Proposal Submission Dates: Completed grant applications must be received by 4 p.m., Friday, March 29, 1996, in the offices of the Metropolitan Council. An informational meeting to discuss the grant program will be held at 9 a.m., Tuesday, February 27, 1996, at the Metropolitan Council offices, 230 East Fifth St., St. Paul. Please RSVP to Patti Holmes at 612/291-6401 or TDD 612/291-0904. Upon request, the Metropolitan Council will provide reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities.

Grant Request Maximum: Two categories, with maximums of \$100,000 or \$0.5 million for multi-year block grants. A match of 25 percent in cash or in-kind matching funds is required for both categories.

To Receive an Application: Call the Metropolitan Council Data Center at 612/291-8140 or TDD 612/291-0904.

Submittal Address: Metropolitan Council, 230 East Fifth St., St. Paul, MN 55101-1634; Attention Jack Frost, Project Manager.

For More Information: Call Jack Frost, Project Manager, 612/291-6519 or Sunny Emerson, Grant Administrator, 612/291-6499 or TDD 612/291-0904.

Metropolitan Council

Environmental Services (MCES)

Public Notice for Letters of Interest for Solids Processing Services Blue Lake/Seneca Solids Handling Project: MCES Project Number 910200

The MCES is soliciting qualifications from parties interested in providing Solids Processing Services for the Blue Lake/Seneca Solids Handling Project. This project is being developed for delivery using a design/build/own/operate philosophy. The final contract(s) awarded will encompass the thickening/dewatering and final processing of all of Blue Lake WWTP solids (currently 25 dry tons/day), and possibly only the final processing of all or a portion of the Seneca WWTP solids (currently 25 dry tons/day).

The first phase of the procurement process was to prequalify Solids Processing Technology Vendors (SPTV). A list of prequalified SPTV will be available after approval by the Metropolitan Council, which is anticipated by February 1996.

The purpose of this second phase of the procurement process is to prequalify solids processing Project Delivery Teams (PDT). PDT are those firms and /or teams of firms that have the ability to design, build, own, and operate commercial solids processing facility for raw municipal wastewater sludge to produce a Class "A" beneficially re-usable product for agriculture and/or horticultural applications. PDT will be required, during this phase of the procurement process, to disclose what solids processing technology (e.g. composting, heat drying, lime/alkaline stabilization) they intend to provide. PDT will not be required to disclose which specific SPTV they will be teaming with until the third and final phase of the procurement process (Request For Proposals).

PDT interested in providing final processing of Blue Lake WWTP solids will, in addition to the above, be prequalified on their ability to deliver thickening and dewatering facilities for the Blue Lake WWTP.

After shortlisting PDT, a Request For Proposals (RFP) will be issued to all prequalified PDT for solids processing services for the Blue Lake and/or Seneca WWTPs.

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The tentative schedule for selecting PDT and other activities is as follows:

Dates
January/February 1996
January/February 1996
February 1996
April 1996
May 1996
June 1996
August 1996
September 1996
October 1996
December 1996

All PDT interested in being considered for this project and wishing to receive an RFQ package are invited to submit a Letter of Interest to:

Administrative Assistant, Contracts & Documents Metropolitan Council Environmental Services 230 East Fifth Street Mears Park Centre St. Paul, MN 55101

All inquiries regarding the RFQ are to be addressed to Rick Biddle at (612) 229-5012.

Shingle Creek Watershed Management Commission

Request for Interest Proposals - Professional Services

Pursuant to MSA 103B.227, Subd. 5, the Shingle Creek Watershed Management Commission hereby solicits LETTERS OF INTEREST for legal, engineering and technical consultant services for the fiscal years 1996 and 1997. The annual budget for all services for the organization for the year 1996 is \$164,550.

Letters should include a brief description of the company and the experience of the individual(s) proposing to perform services for the Commission. The Commission will review said letters and reserves to itself the right to take such action as it deems in its best interests. All Letters of Interest shall be submitted on or before March 1, 1996, to:

Fred Moore, Chairman Shingle Creek Watershed Management Commission 3001 Harbor Lane, Suite 150 Plymouth, MN 55447 (NO CALLS)

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West Mississippi Watershed Management Commission

Request for Interest Proposals - Professional Services

Pursuant to MSA 103B.227, Subd. 5, the West Mississippi Watershed Management Commission hereby solicits LETTERS OF INTEREST for legal, engineering and technical consultant services for the fiscal years 1996 and 1997. The annual budget for all services for the organization for the year 1996 is \$80,500.

Letters should include a brief description of the company and the experience of the individual(s) proposing to perform services for the Commission. The Commission will review said letters and reserves to itself the right to take such action as it deems in its best interests. All Letters of Interest shall be submitted on or before March 1, 1996, to:

Gerald Butcher, Chairman West Mississippi Watershed Management Commission 3001 Harbor Lane, Suite 150 Plymouth, MN 55447 (NO CALLS)



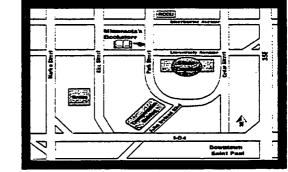
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