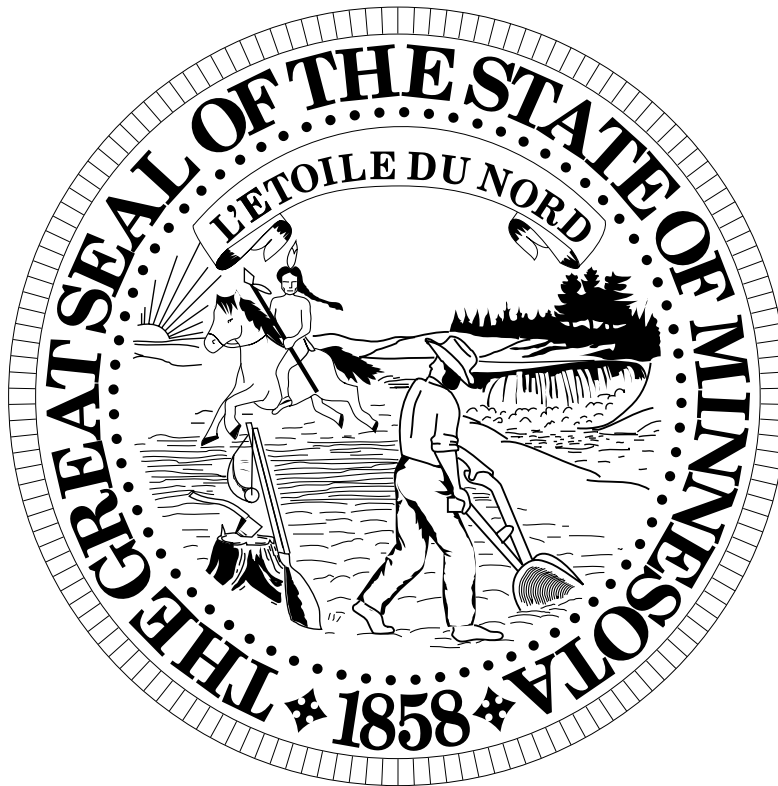


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Department of Transportation

Order No. 85246: Amended Order and Notice of Street and Highway Routes Designated and Permitted to Carry the Gross Weights Allowed under *Minnesota Statute* § 169.825

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Transportation has made his Order No. 80000, dated March 10, 1994, which order has been amended by Orders No's. 80212, 80246, 80580, 80861, 80881, 81000, 81092, 81371, 81511, 81557, 81641, 82955, 83138, 83536, 83616, 83720, 84056, 84222, 84232, 84256, 84353, 84354, 84439, 84532, 84902, and 85225 designating and permitting certain street and highway routes, or segments of those routes, to carry the gross weights allowed under *Minnesota Statutes* §169.825, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner has determined that the additional following routes, or segment of routes, should be designated to carry the gross weights allowed under *Minnesota Statutes* § 169.825.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Commissioner of Transportation Order No. 80000 is further amended this date by adding the following designated streets and highway routes, or segment of routes, as follows:

COUNTY ROADS

WRIGHT COUNTY

C.S.A.H. 8 FROM T.H. 55 IN MAPLE LAKE TO I-94, SE OF CLEARWATER (12 MONTH).

Dated: 28 February 2001

Elwyn Tinklenberg
Commissioner

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Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §§ 14.101, an agency must first solicit comments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency by publishing a notice in the *State Register* at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, and within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking. The *State Register* also publishes other official notices of state agencies and non-state agencies, including notices of meetings and matters of public interest.

Department of Agriculture

Board of Animal Health

Quarterly Meeting Notice

The Board of Animal Health will hold its quarterly meeting on Friday, April 20, 2001 at 9:30 a.m., in the Board office in the Minnesota Department of Agriculture Building at 90 W. Plato Blvd., St. Paul, Minnesota.

Metropolitan Airports Commission

Notice of Adoption of Ordinance No. 95

Please take notice that on the 21st day of February, at a regular meeting, the Metropolitan Airports Commission adopted Ordinance No. 95.

Ordinance No. 95:

An Ordinance to promote and conserve public safety, health, peace, convenience and welfare, to provide regulation on use of the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport – Wold – Chamberlain Field and to control the loading and unloading of passengers and freight thereat; to provide for payment of landing fees by aircraft other than signatory airlines and military aircraft; to provide for payment of Facility Use Fees, Aircraft Parking Fees, and Federal Inspections Services Facility Use Fees and the new Humphrey Terminal; prescribing the penalty for violation thereof; and to repeal Commission Ordinance No. 89.

Copies of Ordinance No. 95 as adopted will be on file with the Secretary of State and may be obtained from the Metropolitan Airports Commission offices.

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Executive Director
Metropolitan Airports Commission
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Metropolitan Council

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Bus Fare Increase

The Metropolitan Council this week approved a series of public hearings in April, 2001, to hear comment on its proposal to increase regional bus fares effective July 1, 2001. The increase in base fares will be the first since December 1993, and is necessary to cover an \$8 million annual funding shortfall in transit operating costs in 2001 and 2002.

The base fare for most rides would increase by \$.25 per ride. The new base fares are:

- Off-peak local, up \$.25 to \$1.25
- Peak local, up \$.25 to \$1.75
- Off-peak express, up \$.25 to \$1.75
- Peak express, up \$.25 to \$2.25

Some other modifications in transit service have also been proposed. A new 15-day unlimited ride pass would replace the current 31-day unlimited ride pass. Also, an increased discount of 20 percent off the normal full-fare price would be applied to off-peak local passes. New 15-day passes for the other rate categories will be discounted 10 percent off the normal full fare price. Limited mobility, senior and fares for children aged 6-12 would remain unchanged at \$.50 per ride. Metro Mobility off-peak fares would remain at \$2.00, but peak fares will increase to \$3.00. Downtown zone off-peak fares would increase to \$.50, equal to the current peak zone fare.

The proposed increases will help Metro Transit and suburban providers respond to higher costs due to inflation, fuel, labor and insurance, and more services routes since the last fare adjustment. The proposed changes have been made with these three goals in mind: 1) generate more revenue to offset increased costs; 2) maintain a simple fare structure; and 3) recognize equity issues among various transit riders.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the hearing and offer comments. People may register in advance to speak by calling Kathryn Anderson, **phone:** (651) 602-1312 or **TTY:** (651) 291-0904 . Upon request, reasonable accommodations to persons with disabilities will be provided. Comments on the proposed fare changes will be accepted until **5:00 p.m., Monday, April 30, 2001.**

Official Notices

The public hearings will be held at the following times and locations.

- **Tuesday, April 17, 11:30 a.m., - 1:30 p.m.**
Metropolitan Council Chambers, 230 East Fifth Street, St. Paul, MN
- **Tuesday, April 17, 5:00 p.m., - 7:00 p.m.**
Burnsville City Hall Chambers, 100 Civic Center Drive, Burnsville, MN
- **Wednesday, April 18, 6:00 p.m., - 8:00 p.m.**
Midtown YWCA, 2121 E. Lake Street, Minneapolis, MN
- **Thursday, April 19, 11:30 a.m., - 1:30 p.m.**
Minneapolis Public Library, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN
- **Thursday, April 19, 6:00 p.m., - 8:00 p.m.**
Northtown Mall, 398 Northtown Drive, Blaine, MN

In addition, comments can be conveyed to the Council as follows. Written comments to:

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Metropolitan Council
230 E. 5th Street
St. Paul, MN 55101
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The Council is expected to act on the proposal at its meeting on May 30, 2001.

Metropolitan Council

Public Hearing/Open House on Draft Regional Recreation Open Space Policy Plan and Draft 2002-2007 Metropolitan Regional Capital Improvement Program

Public hearing/open houses will be held from 2:00 p.m., to 8:00 p.m., on the *Draft Regional Recreation Open Space Policy Plan* and the *Draft 2002-2007 Metropolitan Regional Parks Capital Improvement Program* at the following locations:

- **April 3rd, 2001:** Reidell Farm Estate in Anoka County Riverfront Regional Park. The park is located in Fridley in Anoka County southwest of the intersection of I-694 and East River Road. The entrance road to the park and Reidell Farm Estate is west of East River Road.
- **April 4th, 2001:** Cleary Lake Golf Course clubhouse in Cleary Lake Regional Park. The park is located in Credit River Township in Scott County southwest of the intersection of Scott Co. Rd. 21 and Scott Co. Rd. 91. The entrance road to the park and golf course clubhouse is west of Scott Co. Rd. 91.
- **April 5th, 2001:** Phalen Golf Course clubhouse in Phalen Regional Park. The park is located in St. Paul in Ramsey County northeast of the intersection of Arcade Street and Wheelock Parkway. The entrance road to the park and golf course clubhouse is north of Wheelock Parkway on Phalen Drive.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing/open house and offer comments. Upon request, reasonable accommodations to persons with disabilities will be provided.

In addition to the open houses, you may also provide oral or written comments as follows. Written comments to:

Metropolitan Council Data Center
ATTN: Park Policy Public Comments
Mears Park Centre
230 E. 5th Street
St. Paul, MN 55101-1626
Record comments on Council's Public Comments Line at: (651) 602-1500
Fax: to Data Center (651) 602-1464
TTY: (651) 291-0904
Email: data.center@metc.state.mn.us

Comments will be accepted through 4:30 p.m., April 19th, 2001.

Copies of the *Draft Regional Recreation Open Space Policy Plan* (Publication No. 78-01-012) and the *Draft 2002-2007 Metropolitan Regional Parks Capital Improvement Program* (Publication No. 78-01-013) are available after March 9 for review at major public libraries in the seven-county Twin Cities Metropolitan Area or by contacting the Council's Regional Data Center at **phone:** (651) 602-1140 or **TTY:** (612) 291-0904. You can also view these documents on the Council's website: www.metrocouncil.org

Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association

Notice of Meeting of the Board of Directors

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association's (MCHA) Board of Directors will be held at 9:00 a.m., on Wednesday, March 14, 2001, at the Radisson South Hotel, 7800 Normandale Boulevard, Bloomington, MN.

The Board of Directors meeting will include a formal enrollee appeal. The appeal portion of the meeting may be closed to the public, if so requested by the appellant, pursuant to *Minnesota Statute* 62E.10, subd. 4.

For additional information, please call Lynn Gruber at (612) 593-9609.

Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association

Notice of Proposed Premium Rate Meetings

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a representative of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association's (MCHA) executive staff and a representative of the Minnesota Department of Commerce will hold premium rate meetings in Minnesota as indicated below. The purpose of the meetings is to allow MCHA enrollees an opportunity to comment on the proposed premium rates. Any rate change must be approved by the Minnesota Department of Commerce. New premium rates would go into effect on July 1, 2001.

For additional information, please call Lynn Gruber at phone: (952) 593-9609.

Schedule of 2001 Public Meetings on Proposed Premium Rates

Location	Date	Time
Rochester	Thursday, March 22, 2001 Best Western Apache 1517 16th Street S.W. Rochester, MN Phone: (507) 289-8866	6:30 p.m.

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Brainerd	Monday, March 26, 2001	6:30 p.m.
	Ramada Inn Brainerd (previously the Holiday Inn Brainerd) 2115 S. 6th Street Brainerd, MN Phone: (218) 829-1441	
Twin Cities	Tuesday, March 27, 2001	6:30 p.m.
	Holiday Inn Metrodome 1500 Washington Avenue South Minneapolis, MN Phone: (612) 333-4646	

In case of inclement weather, please call the hotel to be informed of meeting cancellation. If you are unable to attend these meetings for any reason, please log onto the MCHA website at: mchamn@aol.com for data provided at the meeting.

Minnesota Historical Society

State Review Board Regular Meeting

A meeting of the State Review Board of the Minnesota Historical Society to consider nominations to the National Register of Historic Places will be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2001, in the Cargill Commons, MacMillan Education Wing, Minnesota Historical Society History Center, St. Paul, Minnesota. The State Review Board will meet at 7:00 p.m. for an informational presentation on program activities made by the Preservation Office staff. The meeting will be called to order and consideration of the meeting's agenda will begin at 7:30 p.m. A sign language interpreter is available with one weeks notice, and auxiliary aids are available with two weeks notice. **Call:** (651) 296-5434, or **TTY:** (800) 627-3529. For further information contact the State Historic Preservation Office, Minnesota Historical Society, 345 Kellogg Boulevard West, St. Paul, MN 55102, (651) 296-5434.

Office of the Ombudsman for Mental Health and Mental Retardation

Notice of Meeting

The Ombudsman for MH/MR Advisory Committee will hold a meeting from 9:00 a.m., to 1:00 p.m., on Thursday, March 22, 2001. The meeting will be held in LL 120 at the Metro Square Building on 7th and Robert St., St. Paul, MN.

Pollution Control Agency

Policy and Planning Division

Request for Comments Sought on Planned Amendments to Rules Governing Storm Water Permits and Permit Fees, *Minnesota Rules* Chapters 7001 and 7002

Subject of Rules: On March 13, 1995, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA or agency) adopted permanent rules governing storm water discharge permits and associated fees, *Minnesota Rules* Chapters 7001 and 7002. Following the adoption of these rules, regulated parties requested an exemption from the industrial storm water permit rules, *Minnesota Rules* part 7001.1035, because they had no exposure to industrial activities or materials from storm water. The MPCA was unable to consider the exemption requests because the initial applicable federal rules did not allow for exemptions beyond a defined category. Following a Ninth Circuit court remand on the defined category for exemptions, the federal regulations for "no exposure certification" were promulgated.

The MPCA is in the preliminary stages of pursuing environmental tax reform through the MPCA Environmental Tax Reform Proposal (Proposal). The goal of the Proposal is to restructure existing fee structures and establish function-based accounts that can be directed to the most significant environmental problems. It is anticipated that the Proposal will result in the elimination of various fees and the MPCA expects the water quality fees to be impacted. Given the impact a successful Proposal would have, the

MPCA does not intend to pursue changes to rules that would impact the existing fee structures with this first state rulemaking effort. Failure or significant changes to the Proposal may result in future rulemaking that impacts fees.

The MPCA requests comments on its planned rule amendments that would incorporate by reference the federal no exposure certification provisions of 40 CFR 122.26(g)(1)-(g)(4) for sources required to obtain a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit under *Minnesota Rules* part 7001.1035. Incorporation of the federal requirements into state regulations is required before sources may take advantage of the new federal no exposure certification provisions. Incorporation of these provisions may result in a decrease in fees for eligible sources.

Persons Affected. The rule amendments will likely affect current industrial storm water permit holders required to obtain an industrial storm water permit pursuant to *Minnesota Rules* part 7001.1035. This same group is subject to associated permit application fees and annual fees. The group of persons most affected would consist of current permittees categorized as holding mandatory permits. Currently there are approximately 2,112 industrial storm water permittees categorized as mandatory and discretionary. The MPCA expects that only the mandatory category of permittees will be affected by the no exposure certification provisions. Of the current 930 "mandatory" industrial storm water permittees, the MPCA estimates approximately 232 may be eligible.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 115.03, subdivision 5 authorizes the MPCA to adopt rules in order to prevent, control or abate water pollution.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on this planned rule in writing or orally until 4:30 p.m. on April 11, 2001. The MPCA does not intend to form an advisory work group to assist with the rule amendments.

Rule Drafts. The MPCA has not yet prepared a draft of the planned rule amendments.

Agency Contact Person. Written comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rule when it has been prepared, and requests for more information on this planned rule should be directed to: Yolanda Hernandez at Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, 520 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55155-4194, **phone:** (651) 296-7214, **fax:** (651) 297-8676, and **email:** yolanda.hernandez@pca.state.mn.us, **TTY:** users may call the MPCA at **TTY:** (651) 292-5332 or (800) 657-3864.

Alternative Format. Upon request, this Request for Comments can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, Braille, or cassette tape. To make such a request, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

Note: Comments received in response to this notice will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the administrative law judge when a proceeding to adopt rules is started. The agency is required to submit to the judge only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed.

Karen A. Studders
Commissioner
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Pollution Control Agency

Public Notice of Intent to Issue for the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)/State Disposal System (SDS) Permit MN G790000

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) proposes to reissue the NPDES/SDS General Permit (general permit) to cover facilities discharging or proposing to discharge treated wastewater from ground water remediation projects to waters of the state or the unsaturated zone. The general permit will be reissued for a term of approximately five years. The public comment period begins March 12, 2001 and ends at 4:30 p.m. on April 11, 2001.

This general permit is being proposed as a mechanism to regulate the extraction of petroleum contaminated ground water, which is found to be a threat to public welfare and the environment. It is important that these requests be addressed without delay due to the need to initiate remediation as soon as possible in order to prevent the possible spread of contaminant plumes in ground water. This general permit will allow cleanup actions at contaminated sites to begin without the delays of individual permit issuance procedures. This general permit has authorized discharges at over one hundred such sites. This permit currently covers about forty sites.

The authority to develop and issue a general permit is based on the 1979 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) promulgated revisions to the NPDES program regulations, which created a class of permits called general permits. The general permits are issued under 40 CFR §122.28 and *Minnesota Rule* 7001.0210. General permits can be issued in NPDES approved states if the

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approved state program includes general permit activities. EPA approved the General Permit Program of the MPCA on December 15, 1987.

This general permit regulates the discharge of ground water contaminated with petroleum products. Coverage under the general permit will only be authorized in cases where:

1. The source of the contamination is petroleum and/or petroleum related products,
2. The discharge is less than or equal to 50 gallons per minute (72,000 gallons per day),
3. The discharge is not to an Outstanding Resource Value Water, trout water, or to waters on tribal lands,
4. The Commissioner determines that the discharge of the treated, extracted water will not have significant impacts on the receiving waters,
5. The discharge would not violate surface water quality standards or ground water quality standards.

The NPDES/SDS general permit establishes effluent limitations, monitoring requirements, and other conditions for sites which discharge treated ground water incidental to the petroleum contaminated ground water cleanup operations. General conditions which are a part of all NPDES/SDS permits are included as part of this general permit.

Comments should be submitted in writing to: Deborah A. Schumann, Metro District/Major Facilities, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, 520 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155.

Any comments received no later than the last day of the comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations.

A copy of the draft permit, fact sheet and public notice are available for review at the MPCA office at the St. Paul address listed below, and may be copied between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. To request a copy of the draft permit, fact sheet and/or public notice please contact Beckie Olson at **phone:** (651) 297-8305 or (800) 657-3864. If you have questions on this draft permit, the public notice or the Commissioner's preliminary determination, please contact Deborah A. Schumann at **phone:** (651) 297-5791.

State Grants & Loans

In addition to requests by state agencies for technical/professional services (published in the State Contracts section), the *State Register* also publishes notices about grants and loans available through any agency or branch of state government. Although some grant and loan programs specifically require printing in a statewide publication such as the *State Register*, there is no requirement for publication in the *State Register* itself. Agencies are encouraged to publish grant and loan notices, and to provide financial estimates as well as sufficient time for interested parties to respond.

Department of Human Services

Children's Services, Family and Children's Services Division

Notice of Request for Proposal to Provide Adoption Services to Families Adopting Children under Minnesota State Guardianship

The purpose of this RFP is to obtain qualified private adoption agencies to partner with state and local governments to increase the number of adoptive families and to provide supportive pre- and post-adoptive services to those families.

This particularly affects those families who are interested in adopting children with special needs, children of color, and children who are part of a sibling group and need to remain together.

Agencies would be expected to provide the following services:

Services to Prospective Adoptive Families

- Adoption Education and Training Module
- Adoption Studies
- Adoption Study Updates

Child Placement Services

- Adoption placement activities
- Foster Parent adoptions
- Post Adoption services

Relative Adoption Services

Life Planning Services

- Child-specific recruitment
- Life book services
- Disengagement services

Funding: *Minnesota Statutes* 256.01, subdivision 2(8) and *Minnesota Statutes* 397.07, subdivision 2 authorize the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) to contract with Minnesota licensed adoption agencies to provide adoption services for children under state guardianship. The anticipated allocation is \$3,000,000 for each of State Fiscal Years 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005; the State anticipates awarding grants for those years. The State will enter into performance-based contracts with one or more licensed adoption agencies. Grants will commence on July 1, 2001. The funds are intended to enhance, not supplant, adoption services provided by Minnesota county social services.

Eligibility: Private adoption agencies licensed by the state of Minnesota.

The full text of the Request For Proposal is available upon request by contacting: Connie Caron, Program Consultant, Family and Children's Services Division; 444 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155-3831; **phone:** (651) 282-3793 or see <http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/ChildInt/Grants/default.htm>

Proposals must be submitted in the format described in the Request for Proposal. Proposals must be received no later than **4:00 p.m., on Friday, April 20, 2001**. Late proposals will not be considered.

Department of Human Services

Proposals Sought for Chemical Health Support Services

The Chemical Health Division (CHD) of the Department of Human Services is requesting proposals for the delivery of chemical health support services. The purpose of these funds is to improve treatment outcomes and stability in the lives of people who have chemical dependency related problems by funding projects that enhance access to treatment, support treatment completion and increase involvement in post treatment recovery or stability maintenance activities.

A total of **\$4,598,000** is available from the state and federal block grant. Funded programs would begin on or around January 1, 2002 and continue for two and one half (2.5) years. The funded entities may re-apply to continue beyond this initial award period, based on satisfactory performance and the availability of funds.

Applicants must submit one (1) original and (7) seven hard copies of their preliminary proposal. In addition, applicants are to submit work statements and budgets via e-mail or on a diskette. Preliminary proposals must be received by the CHD no later than:

- **4:30 p.m., July 2, 2001 if delivered by courier or**
- **postmarked no later than June 26, 2001 if mailed.**

All applications should be submitted to:

Department of Human Services
Chemical Health Division
444 Lafayette Road
St., Paul, Minnesota 55155-3823
Attention: Joan Kaluza

If you have questions regarding this Request for Proposal or for an application, please contact Mr. John Marino at the Chemical Health Division at **phone:** (651) 582-1832.

Upon request, this information will be made available in an alternative format, such as Braille, large print, or audiotape.

State Contracts

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 \$25,000 be printed in the *State Register*. These procedures also require that the following information be included in the notice: agency name and address, name of agency contact person, description of project and tasks, cost estimate and final submission date and time of completed proposal. Certain quasi-state agencies and MnSCU institutions are exempted from these provisions. In accordance with *Minnesota Rules* 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. Certified Economically Disadvantaged Businesses and individuals shall receive the equivalent of a 4% preference in the evaluation of their proposal. For information regarding certification, call the Materials Management Helpline (651) 296-2600 or [TTY (651) 282-5799.]

Department of Administration

Division of State Building Construction

Request for Proposals (RFP) for Window Testing for the New Retirement Systems of Minnesota Building Located at 60 Empire Drive in St. Paul, MN (DSBC Project Number 63001SPL)

The Minnesota Department of Administration, Division of State Building Construction (STATE) is requesting proposals for an independent testing agency (Testing Agency) certified in the State of Minnesota to coordinate the planning, field testing and administration for the windows on the Retirement Systems of Minnesota Building at 60 Empire Drive, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155.

A. Project Overview

The Project consists of site analysis and review of installation to correspond with the bid documents and construction administration for exterior windows. STATE has estimated that this analysis, testing and administration work, including reimbursable expenses, will not exceed \$35,000.00.

B. Goal

It is the goal of this project that the Retirement Systems of Minnesota Building windows will meet American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommended standards.

C. Sample Tasks

The STATE will employ an independent testing agency to perform services to include the following tasks:

1. On-site field window testing as follows:
 - a. Window to be tested in accordance with American Architectural Manufacturing Association (AAMA) 502-90, "Voluntary Specification for Field Testing of Windows and Sliding Glass Doors", using Testing Method A.
 - b. Immediately test the first window installed of each type. After completion of the window installation, test additional windows to a minimum of 10% of each type with a minimum of two of each type. Owner will identify locations. Refer to the following table for window types.
 - CW-1: Curtain Wall - See Sheet A441
 - AFS-1: Link Curtain Wall - See Sheet A441
 - Punched Window Openings - Floors 1-3, See Sheet A440
 - Strip Windows - 4th Floor, See Sheet A440
 - c. Air infiltration tests to be conducted at a uniform static test pressure of 6.24 psf. The maximum allowable rate of air leakage will not exceed .15 cfm per foot of sash crack length.
 - d. Water penetration tests to be conducted at a static test pressure of 10 psf.
 - e. For each test that fails, the STATE will select two additional windows to be tested. All unsuccessful tests, both original and retest as well as additional windows to be tested due to an unsuccessful test will be paid by the Design/Builder, The Ryan Companies, U.S. Inc. (Ryan Companies).
 - f. Testing agent to provide all vertical access required for testing of windows selected.
2. Testing Agent will be directly responsible to the STATE's Project Manager and work closely on site with STATE's Project Representatives—Cost Planning Management, Inc (CPMI) and Minnesota Department of Administration Plant Management Division, the Design Builder—Ryan Companies, and representatives from three (3) Retirement Systems Boards and other STATE personnel.

3. Testing Agent will submit a written work plan on task organization for approval by CPMI's Project Manager and the STATE's Project Representative.
4. Testing Agent will review with CPMI Project Manager adherence to project requirements and completeness of installation of windows prior to approval to proceed and prepare oral and written reports as required.
5. Testing Agent will participate in coordination of activities of construction; prepare as needed, site installation and analysis of tests, and review results with and recommend adjustments to CPMI's Project Manager.
6. Testing Agent will prepare a report for all types of windows tested.

Responders are encouraged to propose additional tasks or activities if it will substantially improve the results of the window installation. These items should be separated from the required items on the Testing Agency's proposal.

D. Contract and General Requirements

1. The Testing Agency is required to be certified in the State of Minnesota. Testing Agency shall not provide any other services or materials not specified in the contract.
2. The Testing Agency services include participation in the project testing and inspection in coordinating with other trade activities.
3. Testing Agency proposal fee shall include all reimbursable expenses.
4. No more than 95 percent of the full amount due under a contract may be paid until the final test results have been reviewed by STATE's Project Representative and CPMI Project Manger and determined that the Testing Agency has satisfactorily fulfilled all the terms of the contract.
5. The work will begin immediately after all required signatures are obtained on a contract and will be completed by May 15, 2001. This request for proposal does not obligate the STATE to complete the project, and the STATE reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.
6. Insurance Requirements:
 - a. The STATE will require that a certificate of insurance for each type of insurance required will be filed with the STATE's authorized agent within 30 days of execution of the Contract and prior to commencement of any work under this Contract. Each policy must contain a 10 day notice of cancellation, nonrenewal, or material change to all named and additional insured.
 - b. The Testing Agency will be required to maintain and furnish satisfactory evidence of the following insurance policies:
 - b.1. Loss by any means, of all data furnished to the contractor by the state, and for partially completed data for which state has made payment.
 - b.2. Workers' Compensation Insurance: The contractor must provide Workers' Compensation insurance for all its employees and, in case any work is subcontracted, the contractor will require the subcontractor to provide Workers' Compensation insurance in accordance with the statutory requirements of the state of Minnesota, including Coverage B, Employer's Liability, at limits not less than \$100,000.00 bodily injury by disease per employee; \$500,000.00 bodily injury by disease aggregate; and \$100,000.00 bodily injury by accident.
 - b.3. Commercial General Liability: The contractor will be required to maintain insurance protecting it from claims for damages for bodily injury, including sickness or disease, death, and for care and loss of services as well as from claims for property damage including loss of use which may arise from operations under the Contract whether the operations are by the contractor or by a subcontractor or by anyone directly or indirectly employed under the contract. Insurance minimum amounts will be as follows:

\$1,000,000.00 - per occurrence
\$2,000,000.00 - annual aggregate

In addition, the following coverages should be included:

Bodily Injury and Property Damage
Products and Completed Operations Liability
Blanket Contractual Liability
Name the state as an Additional Insured

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- b.4. Commercial Automobile Liability: The contractor will be required to maintain insurance protecting the contractor from claims for damages for bodily injury, including sickness or disease, death, and for care and loss of services, as well as from claims for property damage including loss of use which may arise from operations under the Contract whether such operations were by the contractor or by subcontractor or by anyone directly or indirectly employed under the contract. Insurance minimum amounts will be as follows:

\$1,000,000.00 - per occurrence Combined Single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage

In addition, the following coverages should be included:

Owned, Hired, and Non-owned

Name the state as an Additional Insured

- b.5. Professional/Technical, Errors and Omissions, and/or Miscellaneous Liability Insurance:

The contractor will be required to carry the following minimum amounts:

\$1,000,000.00 - per claim

\$2,000,000.00 - annual aggregate

The contractor may be required to submit a certified financial statement which provides evidence that the contractor has adequate assets to cover any deductible which applies to this policy.

This policy will provide coverage for all claims the contractor may become legally obligated to pay resulting from any actual or alleged negligent act, error, or omission related to the contractor's professional services required under the contract.

Testing Agency will be required to:

- Include legal defense fees in addition to its liability policy limits, with the exception of b.5. above; and
 - Obtain insurance policies from an insurance company having an "AM BEST" rating of A-VIII or better.
- c. The STATE will reserve the right to immediately terminate the contract if the Testing Agency is not in compliance with the insurance requirements and retains all rights to pursue any legal remedies against the contractor. All insurance policies must be open to inspection by the STATE, and copies of policies must be submitted to STATE's authorized agent upon written request.

The successful responder will be required to submit acceptable evidence of insurance coverage requirements prior to execution of the contract.

7. All costs incurred in responding to this notice shall be the responsibility of the responder.
8. Testing Agency will be required to execute STATE's Professional and Technical Services Contract. A copy is available on web site <http://www.dsb.admin.state.mn.us>
9. Contingency Fees Prohibited: Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* Section 10A.06, no person may act as or employ a lobbyist for compensation that is dependent upon the result or outcome of any legislation or administrative action.
10. State Employees: In compliance with *Minnesota Statutes* § 16C.07, the availability of this work is being offered to state employees. The STATE will evaluate the responses of any state employee, along with other responses to this Request for Proposals.
11. Preference to Targeted Group and Economically Disadvantaged Business and Individuals: In accordance with *Minnesota Rules* 1230.1810, subpart B and *Minnesota Rules* 1230.1830, certified Targeted Group Businesses or individuals and certified Economically Disadvantaged Businesses or individuals submitting proposals as prime contractors will receive up to six percent preference in the evaluation of their proposals. For information regarding certification, contact the Department of Administration, Materials Management Helpline at (651) 296-2600, TTY: (651) 282-5799.

E. Notice of Intent, Proposal Content, Proposal Mailing/Delivery Requirements, and Disposition of Responses

1. **Notice of Intent:** Testing Agencies wishing to be considered for this project are asked to **fax:** (651) 296-7650 or **email:** sharon.schmidt@state.mn.us on or before March 22, 2001 a notice of intent to submit a proposal so that interested Testing Agencies may be notified of changes to proposal information or requirements prior to submission date. Notice of intent shall include following:
- a. Addressed to "Contracts Officer", Department of Administration, Division of State Building Construction, 50 Sherburne Ave, Room G-10, St. Paul, MN 55155-1495.

- b. A subject line of "Capitol Complex On Site Field Window Testing" (DSBC Project No. 63001SPL).
 - c. A statement that Testing Agency intends to submit a proposal
 - d. Testing Agency's fax number,
 - e. If available, Testing.Agency email address.
- 2. Proposal Content:** The following will be considered minimum content for the proposal. Testing Agency shall provide the following information in the same order as listed below.
- a. Legal name of Testing Agency, its legal status, and its federal and state identification numbers.
 - b. If Testing Agency is registered with the Minnesota Department of Administration, Materials Management Division, as a targeted group or economically disadvantaged area vendor pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* § 16C.16, provide your state-assigned vendor number.
 - c. Name of person(s) in leadership roles for project management and Minnesota certification title and number.
 - d. Identify team members detailing their work experience. No change in personnel assigned to the project will be permitted without the written approval of the STATE and CPMI Project Managers.
 - e. A statement of the objectives, goals and tasks to show or demonstrate the responder's view of the nature of the contract.
 - f. A description of the deliverables to be provided by the Testing Agency.
 - g. Testing Agency's fee for RFP services.
 - h. A summary of Testing Agency's background and experience, with particular emphasis on local, state and federal government work, and examples of similar work on projects(s) of similar size during the past 5 years.
 - i. A statement of commitment to enter into the work promptly.
 - j. A statement that the proposal as stated is valid for the length of any resulting contract.
 - k. A statement that Testing Agency accepts the terms and conditions of the STATE's Professional and Technical Services Contract. A sample State of Minnesota Professional and Technical Services Contract is available on web site <http://www.dsbcc.admin.state.mn.us>. Much of the language reflected in the contract is required by statute. If you take exception to any of the terms, conditions or language in the contract, you must indicate those exceptions in your response to the RFP; certain exceptions may result in your proposal being disqualified from further review and evaluation. Only those exceptions indicated in your response to the RFP will be available for discussion or negotiation.
 - l. Affidavit of Noncollusion: Complete an Affidavit of Noncollusion and include it with response. See Paragraph F below for a copy of the format.
 - m. Conflicts of Interest: Provide a list of all entities with which it has relationships that create, or appear to create, a conflict of interest with the work that is contemplated in this RFP. The list should indicate the name of the entity, the relationship, and a discussion of the conflict. If you have no conflicts of interest, include a statement to that effect.
- 3. Proposal Mailing/Delivery Requirements**
- a. Submit five (5) copies of the proposal. At least one of the copies must be signed in ink by an authorized officer of the responder.
 - b. Proposals are to be **sealed in mailing envelopes or packages with the following information provided on the outside of the envelope or package:**
 - 1) the responder's name and address, and
 - 2) the project title of "Capitol Complex On-Site Field Windows Testing" (DSBC Project No. 02087CPL)."
 - c. **Mail or deliver** proposals to be received on or before **2:00 p.m. CST, Monday March 26, 2001 to:**
 - Contracts Officer
 - Department of Administration
 - Division of State Building Construction
 - 50 Sherburne Avenue, Room G-10
 - St. Paul, MN 55155-1495

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All proposals must be received no later than 2:00 p.m. CST on March 26, 2001. Receipt date and time will be indicated by a time and date stamp made by the receptionist. Late proposals will not be considered.

If responder wishes confirmation of receipt of proposal, responder must fax a request for confirmation, include responder's fax number, to the attention of Contracts Officer at 651.296.7650. Confirmation will be faxed to responder.

4. Project Information Meeting

An informational meeting and walking tour of site is scheduled on Tuesday, March 20, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. at CPMI's Office, 11 Empire Avenue St. Paul, MN 55127. All firms or individuals interested in attending this meeting shall contact Thomas Ulness at **email:** *tom.ulness@state.mn.us* to sign-up for the meeting. This meeting is mandatory.

Questions concerning the project are to be **faxed** or **emailed** to:

Thomas Ulness, AIA, STATE Project Manager
Department of Administration
50 Sherburne Avenue, Room G-10
St. Paul, MN 55155
Fax: (651) 296-4646
Email: *tom.ulness@state.mn.us*

All questions must be received by Thursday, March 22, 2001. A response will be faxed or emailed by Friday, March 23, 2001 to all potential responders who have faxed or emailed a notice of intent. Other personnel are NOT allowed to discuss the RFP with anyone, including responders, before the proposal submission deadline. Contact regarding this RFP with any personnel not listed above could result in disqualification.

5. Proposal Evaluation

All responses received by the deadline will be evaluated by representatives of the STATE. In some instances, an interview may be part of the evaluation process. A 100-point scale will be used to create the final evaluation recommendation. The factors and weighting on which proposals will be judged are:

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| a. Qualifications/experience of personnel working on the project | 45% |
| b. Cost Detail | 40% |
| c. Expressed understanding of project objectives | 10% |
| d. Qualifications/experience of company | 5% |

It is anticipated that the evaluation and selection will be completed by April 6, 2001.

6. Disposition of Responses

All materials submitted in response to this RFP will become property of the STATE and will become public record after the evaluation process is completed and an award decision made. If the Testing Agency submits information in response to this RFP that it believes to be trade secret materials as defined by the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, *Minnesota Statute* § 13.37, the Testing Agency must:

- Clearly mark all trade secret materials in its response at the time the response is submitted.
- Include a statement with its response justifying the trade secret designation for each item, and
- Defend any action seeking release of the materials it believes to be trade secret, and indemnify and hold harmless the STATE, its agents and employees, from any judgments or damages awarded against the STATE in favor of the party requesting the materials, and any and all costs connected with that defense. This indemnification survives the STATE's award of a contract. In submitting a response to this RFP, the Testing Agency agrees that this indemnification survives as long as the trade secret materials are in possession of the STATE.

The STATE will not consider the fee(s) submitted by the Testing Agency to be proprietary or trade secret materials.

Responses to this RFP will not be open for public review until the STATE decides to pursue a contract and that contract is awarded.

F. State of Minnesota Affidavit of Noncollusion

Re: Request for Proposals (RFP) for Window Testing for the New Retirement Systems of Minnesota Building located at 60 Empire Drive, St. Paul, MN; DSBC Project No. 63001SPL

I swear (or affirm) under the penalty of perjury:

1. That I am the Responder (if the Responder is an individual), a partner in the company (if the Responder is a partnership), or an officer or employee of the responding corporation having authority to sign on its behalf (if the Responder is a corporation);
2. That the attached proposal submitted in response to the above referenced RFP has been arrived at by the Responder independently and has been submitted without collusion with and without any agreement, understanding or planned common course of action with, any other Responder of materials, supplies, equipment or services described in the RFP, designed to limit fair and open competition;
3. That the contents of the proposal have not been communicated by the Responder or its employees or agents to any person not an employee or agent of the Responder and will not be communicated to any such persons prior to the official opening of the proposals; and
4. That I am fully informed regarding the accuracy of the statements made in this affidavit.

Responders Firm Name: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Printed Name for Authorized Signature: _____

Date: _____

Department of Administration Materials Management Division

Request for Proposal (RFP) to Establish a Contract For a Financial Reporting Software (FRS) System

There will not be pre-proposal vendor conference.

Questions concerning the RFP terms and conditions or technical requirements must be sent to the Acquisition Management Specialist listed in the RFP by March 19, 2001.

Proposals will be due on **April 12, 2001, at 3:00 p.m. CDT**

Contact:

Materials Management Division
50 Sherburne Ave.
St. Paul, MN 55155
Phone: (651) 296-2600
Fax: (651) 297-3996

to request a copy of the complete Request for Proposal.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

Inver Hills Community College

Proposals Sought for Food Service

Inver Hills Community College is seeking a new food service contract for August 2001 through July 2006. Food services must include daily hot and cold food choices, catering and vending.

Pre-Bid Conference: Monday, April 9, 2001 at Inver Hills Community College, 2500 80th Street East, Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota 55076. **Location:** College Center Building, Conference Room A, and 3:00 p.m., to 5:00 p.m. All potential contractor bidders must attend this conference.

For a copy of the RFP (Request for Proposal) contact: Larry Margolis, Director of Administrative Services, Inver Hills Community College, **phone:** (651) 450-8522. **Email:** lmargolis@inverhills.mnscu.edu

Deadline for responses to RFP will be **5:00 p.m., Monday, April 23, 2001.**

Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission

Notice of Request for Proposal for Sports Marketing Contract for Sport Facilities and Programs

The Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission (MASC) is seeking an individual or firm to devise and implement an overall marketing system for MASC and NSC sport facilities and programs located in Blaine, Minnesota. The product of this work should include implementation of an action plan and report outlining the following components: 1) sport sponsorship strategy; 2) sport event sales strategy; 3) sport foundation grant strategy. The contract shall have an initial one year term and be in effect from April 16, 2001 to April 15, 2002 with the opportunity for a two-year extension if mutually agreeable. The one year contract has an estimated value of \$60,000. The agency is not bound by this amount. Proposals must be submitted no later than **4:00 p.m., April 2, 2001.**

If you have questions regarding the Request for Proposal contact:

Paul D. Erickson
Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission
1700 - 105th Avenue NE
Blaine, MN 55499
Phone: (763) 785-5632
Email: PErickson@citilink.com

Non-State Contracts & Grants

The *State Register* also serves as a central marketplace for contracts let out on bid by the public sector. The *State 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.

City of St. Paul

Proposals Sought for a Financial Information System Study

The City of St. Paul is currently accepting proposals from qualified firms to provide a **Financial Information System Study**. This project is divided into 3 phases with Phase 1 being a needs assessment, Phase 2 is financial system RFP assistance, and Phase 3 is evaluation, selection and contract negotiation assistance of proposals. Phase 2 and 3 are contingent upon the results of Phase 1 and funding.

Interested parties may contact the City of St. Paul Contract and Analysis Services Office at **phone:** (651) 266-8900 to request a copy of the Request for Proposals (RFP #22100-2). Proposals due date is **Wednesday, April 18, 2001, 2:00 p.m., CST.**

Lower Rum River Watershed Management Organization

Request for Interest Proposal for Professional Legal Consultant and Engineering Consultant Services

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statute* 103B.227, Subdivision 5, the Lower Rum River Watershed Management Organization hereby solicits interest proposals for legal consultant and engineering consultant services for the fiscal years 2001 and 2002.

Written proposals setting forth the experience of the individuals who would be interested in performing professional services for the Lower Rum River Watershed Management Organization should be sent to:

The Lower Rum River Watershed Management Organization
2015 First Avenue North
Anoka, MN 55303
Attention: Steve Jankowski, Chair

Proposals shall be submitted on or before May 1, 2001.

Please set forth in your written proposal the experience of the individual who proposes to perform services for this organization and the resumes of support staff who would assist the individual in providing the contractual services. The proposal should contain a statement on the firm's ability to provide the necessary insurance. The Board will review said proposals and reserves to itself the right to take such action as it deems in the best interest of the Lower Rum River Watershed Management Organization.

Metropolitan Council

Invitation for Bid for Procurement of (76) Medium Speed Submersible Mixers with Mast Assembly, Hoist and Accessories

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on **April 3, 2001 at 2:00 p.m.**, the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services' Wastewater Division will receive and publicly open sealed bids at their office located at 230 East 5th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101. Sealed bids will be for the procurement of (76) medium speed submersible mixers with mast assembly, hoists and accessories.

Mixers should be designed for continuous duty in a wastewater treatment aeration tank application. Shop drawings from potential bidders will be required to be submitted for review prior to the bid opening. Bids from non-conforming bidders will be returned unopened.

Bidding documents may be obtained from the offices of the Metropolitan Council by calling Bea Villegas at **phone:** (651) 602-1032 or by **fax:** (651) 602-1083.

The Metropolitan Council shall consider all bids received and intends to award a contract to the responsive and responsible bidder submitting the lowest total cost per bid to the Council. However, the Metropolitan Council reserves the right to reject all

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bids, to investigate the qualifications and experience of any bidder, to reject any provisions of any bid, to obtain new bids, or to proceed to do the work otherwise.

Dated: 5 March 2001

By Order of the Metropolitan Council
William G. Moore, General Manager/Division Director
Metropolitan Council Environmental Services

Metropolitan Council

Invitation for Bid for MWWTP Final Sedimentation Tank (FST) Suction Header Project

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on **March 27, 2001 at 2:00 p.m.**, the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services' Wastewater Division, will receive and publicly open separate sealed bids at their office located at 230 East 5th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101. Sealed bids will be for the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant (MWWTP) Secondary Treatment Improvements Final Sedimentation Tank for:

FST SUCTION HEADER METAL FABRICATION;
FST SUCTION HEADER PIPING MATERIAL;
FST SUCTION HEADER HARDWARE MATERIAL.

Bidding documents may be obtained from the offices of the Metropolitan Council by calling Bea Villegas at **phone:** (651) 602-1032 or by **fax:** (651) 602-1083.

Direct inquiries to the Council's Project Manager, Doug Storms at **phone:** (651) 602-8303.

The Metropolitan Council shall consider all bids received and intends to award a contract to the responsive and responsible bidder submitting the lowest total cost per bid to the Council. The low bidder will be required to submit shop drawings for the metal fabrication bid. However, the Metropolitan Council reserves the right to reject all bids, to investigate the qualifications and experience of any bidder, to reject any provisions of any bid, to obtain new bids, or to proceed to do the work otherwise.

Dated: 1 March 2001

By Order of the Metropolitan Council
William G. Moore, General Manager/Division Director
Metropolitan Council Environmental Services

Metropolitan Council Metro Transit

Notice of Call to Artists for Hiawatha Line LRT Public Art and Design Program Contract No. 01P034

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Metropolitan Council Metro Transit (the Council), which provides mass transit bus services and will operate a future light rail transit system for the Twin Cities of Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota, is soliciting proposals from professional artists to provide services to design, fabricate, and install artwork for the Hiawatha Line light rail transit system.

The Council and the Minnesota Department of Transportation are overseeing design and construction of Minnesota's first light rail system which will be funded in part by the Federal Transit Authority (FTA). Titled the Hiawatha Line, the approximately 12-mile system will include 17 stations stretching from downtown Minneapolis south to the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport and on to the Mall of America. The \$675 million project will be built through a design/build process that allows construction to begin prior to completion of the system's total design. The Hiawatha Line is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2004.

The purpose of this Call to Artists is to invite artists to submit their qualifications for consideration for artwork commissions for 15 of the 17 light rail stations and the maintenance/administrative office facilities. Opportunities for commissions include: designs and materials inlaid into the surface of the station platforms, treatments to the glazing systems of the wind shelters, custom railings and fences, tree grates, lighting systems, interactive multimedia works, iconographic bas relief and/or ceramic murals, and both large and intimate scale sculpture.

The Council is seeking proposals from professional artists whose work is applicable to an outdoor transit environment and are interested in creating artwork for the Hiawatha LRT project that is consistent with all applicable FTA regulations.

The tentative schedule for this process is:

<i>Call to Artists Issue Date</i>	March 2, 2001
<i>Proposal Due Date</i>	April 27, 2001
<i>Selection of Artists</i>	June, 2001
<i>Design Development</i>	June, 2001 – June, 2002
<i>Fabrication and Installation</i>	June, 2002 - October, 2004

All artists interested in this project should request a copy of the Call to Artists through:

David Allen, Public Art and Design Program Manager
Metro Transit
560 Sixth Avenue North
Minneapolis, MN 55411
Phone: (612) 349-7622
Fax: (612) 349-7675

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Architectural/Engineering Services: Repair of Metal Walls at F.T. Heywood Office and Overhaul Base Metropolitan Council Contract Number 01P026

The Metropolitan Council is requesting proposals for Architectural/Engineering Services to repair the metal walls at Council's F.T. Heywood Office and Overhaul Base.

<i>Issue Request for Proposals</i>	March 5, 2001
<i>Receive Proposals</i>	April 5, 2001
<i>Evaluate Proposals</i>	April 20, 2001
<i>Negotiations Complete</i>	May 1, 2001

All firms interested in being considered for this project and desiring to receive an RFP package are invited to contact:

Amanda Petersen, Administrative Assistant, Contracts and Procurement Unit
Metropolitan Council Environmental Services
Mears Park Centre
230 East Fifth Street
St. Paul, MN 55101
Phone: (651) 602-1585
Fax: (651) 602-1138
Email: amanda.petersen@metc.state.mn.us

Inquiries regarding this project should be directed to Jan Bevins at **phone:** (651) 602-1132.

Minnesota Statutes, Sections 473.144 and 363.073, and *Minnesota Rules*, Parts 5000.3400 to 5000.3600 will be incorporated into any contract based upon the Proposal or any modifications to it. If a contract for the project is awarded in excess of \$100,000, the requirements of *Minnesota Rules* 5000.3530 will be applicable. This project is FTA funded.

University of Minnesota

Notice of Bid Information Service (BIS) Available for All Potential Vendors

The University of Minnesota offers 24 hour/day, 7 day/week access to all Request for Bids/Proposals through its web based Bid Information Services (BIS). Subscriptions to BIS are \$75/year. Visit our web site at bidinfo.umn.edu or call the BIS Coordinator at (612) 625-5534.

Requests for Bids/Proposals are available to the public at no charge each business day from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Purchasing Services lobby, Suite 560, 1300 S. 2nd Street, Mpls., MN 55454.



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