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Revenue Notice # 01-01: Individual Income Tax and Corporate Franchise Tax - 2001

Estimated Tax Requirements of Shareholders of S Corporation Banks, and the Treatment of Estimated Tax Payments of S Corporation Banks Made Prior to the Repeal of the Corporate Franchise Tax on S Corporation Banks

As part of the 2001 Omnibus Tax Bill, Minnesota adopted full federal conformity concerning the taxation of S corporation banks and their shareholders. As a result of this change, S corporation banks are no longer subject to the Minnesota corporate franchise tax. The provision, which was signed into law on June 30, 2001, is effective for tax years beginning after December 31, 2000.

The purpose of this Revenue Notice is to describe four acceptable methods for shareholders to meet their 2001 estimated tax requirements without incurring the additional tax charge imposed under Minnesota Statutes, section 289A.25. It also describes two acceptable methods for the banks to account for the corporate estimated tax deposits made in 2001 prior to the law change.

This Revenue Notice is to provide transitional guidance for 2001 and does not apply to subsequent tax years.

Estimated Tax Liability of Shareholders

1. 100% of Prior Year Liability

The taxpayer may make estimated tax payments equal to 100% (110% for taxpayers with adjusted gross income in excess of $150,000 in 2000) of their 2000 Minnesota income tax liability after nonrefundable credits (including any S corporation bank tax credit allowed for 2000 under Minnesota Statutes, section 290.06, subdivision 26) as permitted by Minnesota Statutes, section 289A.25, subdivision 5, paragraph (2).

2. 90% of Current Year Liability

The taxpayer may adjust third and fourth quarter estimated tax payments in such a way as to make estimated payments equal to at least 90% of their final 2001 tax liability, without regard to any tax payments made by the S corporation bank, as permitted by Minnesota Statutes, section 289A.25, subdivision 5, paragraph (1).

3. 90% of Current Year Liability Treating Corporate Estimated Tax Deposits as Withholding Deposits of the Shareholders

Strict adherent to the requirements of paragraph 2 could result in a form of double payment since the amount of the catch up payments in the third and fourth quarters would be roughly equal to the amount of estimated payments made in the first two quarters by the S corporation bank. To minimize the harshness of this outcome, the Department of Revenue will allow deposits of estimated tax paid by the S corporation bank prior to June 30, 2001 to be characterized as deposits of withholding tax on account of the shareholders as long as the shareholders and the bank voluntarily agree to such an arrangement.

Under prior law and practice, S corporation banks have made one estimated tax payment each quarter that covering its non-resident withholding liability or composite income tax liability, as well as the estimated franchise tax, the estimated minimum fee and estimated tax on built in gains. At the end of the tax year, the corporation has then designated those deposits to match the separate liabilities of the corporation. Since the corporation will have no corporate franchise tax liability for 2001, the department will permit the corporation to designate the amount of deposits that would have been so designated, absent the law change, as withholding tax deposits of the shareholders, regardless of the state of residency of the shareholder. The allocation should be made to each shareholder in proportion to the amount of income of the S corporation apportioned to the shareholder. A space for such designation will be on the 2001 Schedule M-KS.

For purposes of calculating an additional tax charge, the shareholder should allocate this withholding equally to the first two estimated tax payments. When filing a 2001 tax return, the shareholder should report the amount listed on the M-KS as “tax withheld.”

4. 90% of Current Year Liability Disregarding S Corporation Income Attributable to the First Half of 2001

Finally, the Department of Revenue will waive any additional tax charge if:

• The shareholder made timely and correct payments of estimated tax for each of the first two quarters of at least 22.5% of the estimated tax as determined through reference to the law as it existed on the date that the payments were due.

• The S corporation bank made timely and correct deposits of estimated corporate franchise tax for the first two quarters of 2001.
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- The shareholder recomputed the 2001 Minnesota estimated tax and made estimated tax payments for each of the third and fourth quarter of at least 22.5% of the recomputed estimated tax.

Affected taxpayers taking advantage of paragraphs 3 or 4 should write “S corporate bank shareholder” on their return to indicate that their estimated tax was computed in compliance with this Revenue Notice.

Estimated Payments of the S Corporation Banks

Since affected S corporation banks are no longer subject to Minnesota franchise tax, they no longer need to make estimated corporate franchise tax payments for any future periods. They are, however, still required to make estimated tax payments, when required to cover liabilities stemming from the minimum fee, the tax on built in gains or composite income tax liability.

S corporation banks, other than those electing to treat the franchise tax deposits as shareholder withholding as discussed above, can only receive a refund of any overpayment of estimated tax made prior to the law change by filing a 2001 return at the end of their tax year.

Terese Mitchell, Director
Appeals and Legal Services Division

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Minnesota Department of Administration
Division of Building Codes and Standards

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS on Planned Amendments to Rules Governing the Minnesota Building Conservation Code of the Minnesota State Building Code

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Department of Administration requests comments on its planned amendments to rules governing the Minnesota State Building Code, chapters 1300 Code Administration, 1301 Building Official Certification, 1303 (proposed) Statutory Code Requirements, and 1346, Adoption of the 2000 International Mechanical Code and the 2000 International Fuel Gas Code. The Department is requesting additional comments on this proposed change precipitated by comments received and statutory modifications.

1300 Code Administration. The Department intends to adopt an administrative chapter to address building code administration for the State Building Code, including the following:

- Plan review fees for similar buildings
- Final interpretive authority and the formation of a final interpretive committee
- Permit fees on minor residential improvements
- Annual report to the Building Codes and Standards Division from municipalities
- Proportionate fees for services rendered

The rules in this chapter will clarify the duties of Building Officials for administration of the building department.

1301 Building Official Certification. The Department intends to revise this chapter to incorporate some housekeeping changes and incorporate rules related to recent legislation providing for procedures for administrative action, penalties, and suspension and revocation of the certification of a building official. This chapter will establish a graduated schedule of administrative actions for violations of Minnesota Statutes 16B.59 to 16B.75

1303 (proposed) Statutory Code Requirements. The Department intends to create this chapter to include statutory code requirements that are not addressed by the model codes. The amendments will include requirements for restrooms, commuter vans,
recycling space, automatic garage door opening systems, and exterior wood decks, patios, and balconies. The amendments will also include various issues that apply specifically to Minnesota’s climatic conditions.

**1311 (proposed) Minnesota Building Conservation Code.** The Department intends to adopt the *Guidelines for the Rehabilitation of Existing Buildings* published by the International Conference of Building Officials. The code shall be mandatory and will clarify and elaborate on building code standards for a change of occupancy, alteration, repair of existing buildings and structures, including buildings and structures with historical significance.

**1346 Adoption of a model Mechanical Code.** The Department intends to adopt and make necessary amendments to a more current model Mechanical Code, including implementation standards for process piping. The model codes under consideration are the 2000 Uniform Mechanical Code and the 2000 International Mechanical Code.

**Persons Affected.** Persons affected by amendments to chapters 1300, 1301, 1303 (proposed), 1311 (proposed), and 1346 may include municipal building inspection department personnel, building contractors, architects, engineers, fire inspection personnel, pre-engineered building and material manufacturers and/or suppliers, and ultimately the general public.

Persons additionally affected by amendments to chapter 1346 may include mechanical contractors, mechanical system manufacturers and/or suppliers, and system designers.

Persons affected by all of the above chapters of the Minnesota State Building Code may include building owners and managers and users of the facilities or structures.

**Statutory Authority.** *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 16B.59, 16B.61, 16B.64, and 16B.65 authorize the Division to adopt or amend rules governing Code Administration, Building Official Certification, Statutory Code Requirements, Building Conservation, and a Mechanical Code.

**Public Comment.** Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these planned rules in writing until further notice is published in the *State Register* that the Division intends to adopt or to withdraw the rules. The Department has appointed advisory committees to comment on the planned rules. Advisory Committees are being utilized during the adoption process for rules relating to *Minnesota Rules* chapters 1300, 1301, 1311, and 1346.

**Rule Drafts.** The Department does not anticipate that a draft of the rules and amendments will be available before the publication of the proposed rules.

**Agency Contact Person.** Written comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules when it has been prepared, and requests for more information on these planned rules should be directed to: Colleen Chirhart at Department of Administration, Building Codes and Standards Division, 408 Metro Square Building, 121 - 7th Place E., St. Paul, MN 55101-2181, Phone:(651) 296-4329, FAX (651) 297-1973, and email: colleen.d.chirhart@state.mn.us. TTY users may call the Department at 1-800-627-3529.

**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.

Dated: July 25, 2001

Thomas R. Joachim
State Building Official

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**Department of Agriculture**

**The Agricultural Chemical Response and Reimbursement Account (ACRRA)**

**Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Future ACRRA Surcharges**

The Commissioner of Agriculture annually determines the amount of Agricultural Chemical Response and Reimbursement Account (ACRRA) surcharges to be paid by various persons to adequately fund the ACRRA Program.

The ACRRA, by statute, must maintain an unencumbered balance between one million dollars ($1,000,000) and five million dollars ($5,000,000). During State Fiscal Year 2001 (July 2000 - June 2001) the ACRRA Board authorized approximately $2.5 million in reimbursements and collected $2.0 million in surcharge revenues.

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) has determined that requiring a 50% increase in the surcharge is necessary because, according to current projections, the minimum account balance cannot be maintained as required by statute.
The MDA Commissioner and the ACRRA Board believe that notification of the determination of surcharge amounts to persons required by statute to pay surcharges is best accomplished if disclosure of such determination is done as early as possible, prior to new surcharge imposition.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing to disclose these necessary changes in ACRRA surcharges will be held on September 6, 2001 at 10:30 a.m. The hearing will be held at the MDA offices in conference Room 1, 90 West Plato Boulevard, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Persons desiring further information may contact Victoria Cook, Executive Director, ACRRA Board, at the Minnesota Department of Agriculture at (651) 296-3349, email: Victoria.Cook@state.mn.us; or Sharon Huber at (651) 297-3490, email: Sharon.Huber@state.mn.us. Updates of the ACRRA Surcharge will be posted on the MDA Web Site www.mda.state.mn.us

Department of Agriculture
Agronomy and Plant Protection Division

Notice of Special Local Need Registration for Chlorpyrifos 4E AG

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 18B.27 and Minnesota Rules Parts 1505.0880-1505.0930, the Minnesota Department of Agriculture issued, on July 25, 2001, a Special Local Need (SLN) registration for Chlorpyrifos 4E AG, manufactured by Micro Flo Company, Memphis, TN 38117. This registration allows the application of Chlorpyrifos 4E AG in wheat for control of wheat midge.

A federal or state agency, a local unit of government, or any person or groups of persons filing with the commissioner a petition that contains the signatures and addresses of 500 or more individuals of legal voting age, shall have 30 days from publication of notice in the State Register to file written objections with the commissioner regarding the issuance of the special local need registration.

Objections may be submitted to: John C. Sierk, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, Agronomy and Plant Protection Division, 90 West Plato Boulevard, St. Paul, MN 55107.

Comment deadline is September 5, 2001.

Department of Agriculture
Agronomy and Plant Protection Division

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Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association

Notice of Meeting of the Enrollee Appeal Committee

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association’s (MCHA) Enrollee Appeal Committee will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 9, 2001, at the MCHA executive office located at 5775 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 910, St. Louis Park, MN.

This 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 (952) 593-9609.

Department of Labor and Industry

Labor Standards Unit

Notice of Addition to Commercial Prevailing Wage Rates

An additional rate has been added to the Commercial Prevailing Wage Rates certified 12/18/00, for Labor Code 413, Lineman, in Lake County.

Copies of the certified wage rates for these Counties may be obtained by writing the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Prevailing Wage Section, 443 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4306, or by calling (651) 284-5091. Charges for the cost of copying and mailing are $.65 per page. Make check or money order payable to the State of Minnesota.

Gretchen B. Maglich
Commissioner

Minnesota Planning

Office of Strategic and Long Range Planning

Municipal Boundary Adjustments

Minnesota Planning will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, August 15, 2001 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in Room 301, Centennial Office Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN 55155. The purpose of this meeting is to collect any thoughts, comments, or criticisms regarding the shift from the former Minnesota Municipal Board to Minnesota Planning regarding municipal boundary adjustments.

Minnesota Planning is mandated to report to the Senate State and Local Government Operations Committee and the House Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs Committee on the effect of the transfer of the duties and authority under the Minnesota Municipal Board statute, Chapter 414, to Minnesota Planning. The report is due February 1, 2002. Laws 2000, c. 446, §2.

The report must include “comments, suggestions, and criticisms of the processes” from actual participants in the process and from associations representing local governments. This office is also seeking input from other organizations and individuals not specifically referenced in the statutory mandate.

Written comments, not to exceed five pages will be accepted until September 4, 2001.

If you have any questions, contact Christine Scotillo, Executive Director, Municipal Boundary Adjustments at (651) 284-3386 or christine.scotillo@mnplan.state.mn.us.
Minnesota Center for Crime Victim Services (MCCVS)

Notice of Availability of Funds for Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Funding
Fiscal Years 2002/2003

The Minnesota Center for Crime Victim Services announces the availability of grant funds under the S.T.O.P Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Formula Grants Program of the U.S. Department of Justice for fiscal years 2002/2003. The goal of the VAWA grant funding is to develop and strengthen effective law enforcement and prosecution responses to violent crimes against women, and to develop, as well as strengthen, victim advocacy services for women who have been battered or sexually assaulted.

Two special project grants of $52,500 each are available for start-up of a Sexual Assault Multi-Disciplinary Action Response Team (SMART) for the development of sexual assault protocols. The grant period is the 18-month period of January 1, 2002 - June 30, 2003.

Non-profit organizations, local units of government and Indian tribal governments are eligible to apply. Applicants must coordinate with the Sexual Violence Justice Institute in forming a Sexual Assault Multi-disciplinary Action Response Team (SMART). The SMART must include sexual assault advocacy programs, law enforcement and prosecution personnel, emergency medical staff, and communities of color in the development of victim-centered protocol.

Applications are due on Monday, October 8, 2001. For a complete application packet and further information regarding funds available please contact:

Minnesota Center for Crime Victim Services
245 East 6th Street, Suite 705
St. Paul, MN 55101
Phone: (651) 282-6256 metro area; or toll free 1-888-622-8799; or
TTY: (651) 205-4827

Department of Children, Families and Learning

Notice of Grant Availability for the Technology Literacy Challenge Fund

The Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning hereby announces the availability of Round 5 Technology Literacy Challenge Fund (TLCF) grants. Eligible applicants include Minnesota school districts (including charter schools), groups of Minnesota school districts and school district cooperatives. This grant is provided by the United States Department of Education under Title III of the Elementary and Secondary Education Improving America’s School Act of 1994.

The Department of Children, Families and Learning will conduct a two-part application process for the Round 5 TLCF grants. Part I will consist of providing grants to high poverty, high need school districts for computer equipment and infrastructure upgrades. The application form for TLCF Part I is now available from the Department and will be due on August 27, 2001. Please see information on availability and contacts below.

Part II will consist of grant awards for projects similar to the previous TLCF grant rounds. Applications will be considered in the following categories:

1) Staff development projects for the use of technology by teachers, aligned with the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) standards and in support of the Minnesota Profile of Learning.

2) Innovative technology projects that focus on best practices for the application of technology to student learning aligned with the ISTE standards and in support of the Minnesota Profile of Learning.

The Request for Proposals and application materials for Part II of TLCF Round 5 will be available on September 6, 2001 and project proposals will be due on October 12, 2001.

Application materials for Parts I and II can be downloaded from the Department of Children, Families and Learning web site on the date of availability at http://cfl.state.mn.us or can be requested from Gary Farland at (651) 582-8772 or via email at

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 Children, Families and Learning
Division of Special Education
Request for Proposals to Provide Evaluation for the Special Education State Improvement Grant (SIG)

The Department of Children, Families and Learning request proposals to provide a required independent evaluation of the federal special education State Improvement Grant. Evaluation services involve measuring the impact of program projects as well as strengthening effective program strategies and/or models through evaluation support and technical assistance.

The Department has estimated that the cost of this project should not exceed $50,000 per year in each of the next four years.

The anticipated contract period is September 2001 through June 30, 2005. It is anticipated that the first contract period will be from September 2001 through June 30, 2003. Based upon continued funding, mutual agreement and satisfactory contractor performance a separate contract will be awarded for the period July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2005.

To request a copy of the full Request for Proposal contact:
Dr. William McMillan
Special Education Section
Department of Children, Families and Learning
1500 Highway 36 West,
Roseville, MN 55113-4567
Phone: (651) 582-8610
FAX: (651) 582-8729

Proposals are due no later than 3:00 p.m. on August 27, 2001. Late proposals will not be considered.

Minnesota Department of Health
Request for Proposals for Exceptions to the Nursing Home Moratorium

Purpose
The Commissioner of Health is accepting written proposals from nursing homes and boarding care homes requesting funding through the moratorium exception process, according to Minnesota Statutes 144.073. The commissioner of health, in coordination with the Commissioner of Human Services, may approve such requests under conditions listed in Minnesota Statutes. These conditions refer to categories of exceptions which are defined as:

(a) “Conversion” means the relocation of a nursing home bed from a nursing home to an attached hospital.
(b) “Relocation” means the movement of licensed nursing home beds or certified boarding care beds as permitted by state statute to promote equitable access across the state or to move the beds to another site.
(c) “Renovation” means extensive remodeling of, or construction of an addition to, a facility on an existing site with a total cost exceeding ten percent of the appraised value of the facility or $200,000, whichever is less.
(d) “Replacement” means the demolition, delicensure, reconstruction, or construction of an addition to all or part of an existing facility.
(e) “Upgrading” means a change in the level of licensure of a bed from a boarding care bed to a nursing home bed in a certified boarding care facility.

Appropriation Available
The amount of the legislative appropriation available for the total annual additional costs to the medical assistance program for this Request for Proposals (RFP) is $2,000,000, for state fiscal year 2002. Depending upon the outcome of this round of moratorium exceptions, a second round of moratorium exception proposals may be announced after the first of the year.
(NOTE: Minnesota Statutes, § 144A.071 allows projects with costs less than $1,000,000 to proceed without applying for a moratorium exception under this process, except those facilities financed under the Alternative Payment System. All facilities financed under the Alternative Payment System must go through the moratorium exception process for any construction project for which additional Medical Assistance money would be requested.)

Eligibility to Submit a Proposal

A proposal for an exception to the nursing home moratorium may be submitted by an organization or individual authorized by a facility’s governing board or management to prepare and submit a proposal to the commissioner of health.

Method for Estimating Proposal Cost

The method that the commissioner will use in evaluating proposals for approval or disapproval for estimating the cost of a proposal is detailed in the application materials.

Criteria for Review

The following criteria, as described in Minnesota Statutes 144A.073, Subd. 4, shall be used in a consistent manner, equally weighed, to compare, evaluate, and rank all proposals submitted:

1) the extent to which the proposal furthers state long-term care goals designed to maximize independence of the older adult population, and to ensure cost-effective use of financial and human resources; (this includes those proposals who have approved closure plans and need additional capital resources, according to Minnesota Laws 2001, First Special Session, Chapter 9, Article 5, Section 27, Subd. 3 (4).

2) the cost effectiveness of the proposal;

3) the extent to which the proposal promotes equitable access to long term care services in nursing homes across the state;

4) the extent to which the proposal improves the health and safety of residents;

5) the extent to which the proposal promotes the comfort or quality of life of residents;

6) the extent to which the applicant demonstrates a history of quality care provided in the facility;

7) the extent to which the project reduces the need for waivers from regulations; and,

8) the extent to which the project increases the number of private or single bedrooms.

Procedure for Receiving Application Materials

The application materials, including instructions, format and necessary forms, are available upon written or facsimile request to:

Yvette Young
MDH - F & PC Division
U.S. Mail Service
MDH - F & PC Division
P.O. Box 64900
St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0900

Phone: (651) 215-8722
Fax: (651) 215-8710

MDH - F & PC Division MDH - F & PC Division
85 East Seventh Place, Suite 300
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Review and Approval of Proposals

Proposals will be reviewed by a committee composed of organizations that represent consumers and providers of nursing home services; persons who provide engineering, building construction, or design services; and, state agencies involved in long term care issues, housing and finance. Applicants will have the opportunity to present their proposal, in person, to the Proposal Review Committee (Committee) prior to the Committee submitting comments and recommendations to the commissioner. Details on this meeting, including date, time and location will be made available to the contact person listed in each moratorium exception proposal. The commissioner of health will approve or disapprove project proposals based on criteria established in law and rule. The commissioner will make the final decision no later than February 1, 2002.

Questions Concerning the RFP

Any questions relating to the RFP process may be submitted by prospective applicants in writing to:

Kay Markling
Minnesota Department of Health
Facility and Provider Compliance Division
P.O. Box 64900
St. Paul, MN 55164-0900
Fax: (651) 215-8726
NO ANSWERS WILL BE PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO PHONE CALLS. Each question must cite the particular RFP page to which it refers. Copies of all questions and their answers will be provided to all prospective applicants who have requested application materials. Only responses in writing by Kay Markling will be considered official. The closing date for the receipt of questions will be Friday, October 19, 2001.

Technical assistance in completing the application forms is available from the Minnesota Health and Housing Alliance, at (651) 645-4545, or Care Providers of Minnesota at (952) 854-2844.

Procedures for Submitting Proposals

No proposals submitted by facsimile machine will be accepted. Six (6) written copies of the completed proposal must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 2, 2001 by:

Linda Sutherland  
U.S. Mail Service  
Minnesota Department of Health  
Facility and Provider Compliance Division  
P.O. Box 64900  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0900

Courier or Walk-In Service  
Minnesota Department of Health  
Facility and Provider Compliance Division  
85 East Seventh Place, Suite 300  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101
Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning

Request for Proposals for the Provision of Mediation, Facilitation, Documentation/Transcription and Report Writing Services

The Division of Special Education of the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning, is requesting proposals to acquire services to provide conflict resolution, mediation, facilitation, documentation and transcription of meeting minutes and development of reports for various statewide federally funded and legislatively mandated advisory groups. It is essential that documentation services provided to legislatively mandated special education interagency advisory groups be accurate and completed within timelines specified. It is also essential that the mediator/facilitator have extensive experience in working with diverse groups representing multiple state agencies.

The Department has estimated that the cost of this project should not exceed $160,000 over the contract period. The anticipated project period is October 2001 through September 30, 2002. During the contract period the number of conflict resolution, facilitation and mediation meetings is estimated at 98 days; transcription and documentation of those meetings and related work group activities is estimated at 125 days.

To request a copy of the full Request for Proposal contact:
Robyn Widley, Supervisor
Division of Special Education
Department of Children, Families and Learning
1500 Highway 36 West
Roseville, Minnesota 55113-4266
Phone: (651) 582-1143
Fax: (651) 582-8729

Proposals are due no later than 3:00 p.m. on Friday, September 7th, 2001. Late proposals will not be considered.

Department of Health

Notice of Availability of Contract for the Minnesota Diabetes in Youth Program

The Minnesota Department of Health is requesting proposals for the purpose of health care management of children with diabetes from organizations which engage in provision of both health care and education related to the clinical management of diabetes in children.

Work is proposed to start after 9/3/2001.

A Request for Proposals will be available by mail from this office through 8/20/2001. A written request (by direct mail or fax) is required to receive the Request for Proposal. After 8/20/2001, the Request for Proposal must be picked up in person.

The Request for Proposal can be obtained from:
Nancy Vanderburg
Minnesota Department of Health
85 E. Seventh Place
PO Box 64882
St. Paul, MN 55164-0882
FAX: (651) 215-8953
Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received at the address above no later than 8/27/01. Late proposals will not be considered. No time extensions will be granted.

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Department of Human Services

Correction to Aging Initiative: Notice of Request for Proposals to Expand Home- and Community-Based Services for Older Adults

Cite 26 SR 111

Corrected from: August 8 - Baxter, LSS Office, 2405 Forthun Road, (1:00 p.m.)
To: August 9 - Baxter, LSS Office, 2405 Forthun Road, (1:00 p.m.)

Corrected from: The full text of the RFP, which includes requirements that must be met in order to submit a proposal and evaluation criteria, is available at: http://www.state.mn/agingint/policy/rfp.htm
To: The full text of the RFP, which includes requirements that must be met in order to submit a proposal and evaluation criteria, is available at: http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/agingint/policy/rfp.htm

Minnesota Department of Public Safety

Office of Traffic Safety

Request for Proposals (RFP) for Safe and Sober Program Awareness

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety’s Office of Traffic Safety is requesting proposals from professional organizations to perform qualitative research in areas of traffic safety knowledge of the Safe and Sober Program from the perspective of law enforcement safety organizations and the public.

Details are contained in a complete Request for Proposals that may be obtained by calling or writing:

Terri Thill
Department of Public Safety
Office of Traffic Safety
444 Cedar Street
St. Paul MN 55101-5150
Phone: (651) 284-3708

All questions concerning this RFP must be in writing and must be submitted to the above address no later than 2:00 p.m. on August 14, 2001. All answers to questions will be in writing and sent to all entities requesting a complete RFP. Final date for submitting proposals is 2:00 p.m. on August 28, 2001. Late proposals will not be considered. This Request for Proposal does not obligate the State to complete the proposed project and the State reserves the right to cancel solicitation of it is considered to be in the State’s best interest. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice shall be borne by the responder. The DPS will retain an option to extend the contract, with the contractor’s consent, for two additional one-year periods. This will only be done if the state finds it necessary to do follow-up work if changes are made to the program. The value of the contracts for subsequent years may be adjusted.
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.

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Projects Under the MetroEnvironment Partnership Grant Program

Purpose: The MetroEnvironment Partnership Grant Program was established to provide grants to address nonpoint source pollution to Metropolitan Area lakes, streams, and rivers. Projects must be directed toward the abatement, control or prevention of non-point source pollution. Applicants are encouraged to work cooperatively with other local government and non-nongovernment organizations to develop joint, multi-purpose projects. This is the third year of this five year grant program.

Eligible Project Sponsors: Public entities including state, federal, county, and city government; soil and water conservation districts; watershed management organizations; public schools; nonprofit organizations, or trade and professional organizations are eligible. 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 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 26, 2001, at the offices of the Metropolitan Council.

Grant Matching Funds: A match of 25 percent cash or in-kind funds is required for the grants.

To Receive an Application: Call the Metropolitan Council Data Center at (651) 602-1140 or TTY (651) 291-0904. Applications are also available on the Council’s web site at www.metrocouncil.org.

For More Information: Call Joe Mulcahy, (651) 602-1104, or TTY (651) 291-0904.

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Architectural/Engineering Services for the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion

MCES Project Number 800900
MCES Contract Number 01P088

The Metropolitan Council is requesting Architectural/Engineering Services proposals for design and construction support services for a 12 mgd expansion of the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant. The anticipated project schedule is shown below.

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All firms interested in being considered for this project and desiring to receive a RFP package are invited to submit a Letter of Interest to:

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

**Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Consulting Engineering Services for the Mound Lift Station L25 Relocation Facility Planning and Design**

**MCES Project Number 990140**  
**MCES Contract Number 01P080**

The Metropolitan Council is requesting consulting engineering services proposals for the MCES Mound Lift Station L25 Relocation Facility Planning and Design. The project includes design engineering services to prepare contract documents for a lift station to be located on the south side of Lynwood Avenue, east of Belmont Avenue in downtown Mound, Minnesota. The consultant will be expected to synthesize previous MCES design and operation successes with the consultant’s own knowledge, experience and creativity, in order to advance the functionality, operability and reliability of MCES lift station design. A key emphasis will be a thorough review of the specifications governing critical equipment and mechanical components.

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All firms interested in being considered for this project and desiring to receive an RFP package are invited to submit a Letter of Interest to:

Amanda Petersen, Administrative Assistant  
Contracts and Procurement Unit  
Metropolitan Council Environmental Services  
Mears Park Centre  
230 East Fifth Street  
St. Paul, MN 55101  
Email: amanda.petersen@metc.state.mn.us

Inquiries regarding technical aspects of the project should be directed to Bill Moeller at (651) 602-4504.

*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.

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**Metropolitan Council**

**Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Employment Drug and Alcohol Testing**

**Metropolitan Council Contract Number 01P064**

The Metropolitan Council is requesting testing services for its Federal Transit Administration Mandated drug and alcohol testing program. This RFP also includes such employment testing under the Federal Highway Administration.
Non-State Contracts & Grants

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All firms interested in receiving an RFP package are invited to submit an email or written request to:

Amanda Petersen, Administrative Assistant
Contracts and Procurement Unit
Metropolitan Council Environmental Services
Mears Park Centre
230 East Fifth Street
St. Paul, MN 55101
Email: amanda.petersen@metc.state.mn.us

(Note: RFPs are not available in electronic form.)

*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.

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for MetroGIS Internet-Enabled Data Distribution Mechanism

Contract 01P068

The Metropolitan Council is requesting professional services proposals for the design and implementation of an Internet-based, data delivery mechanism that provides the range of desired functionality identified as part of the Metro GIS Regional Parcel Data Pilot Project.

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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 technical aspects of the project should be directed to Gordon Backlund, Phone: (651) 602-1801.

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Metropolitan Council - Metro Transit

Purchase of Data Radios

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting sealed bids for Data Radios for use in Metro Transit buses. Bids are due at 2:00 p.m. on August 14, 2001.

Bids must be submitted in accordance with the Invitation for Bids document available from:

Metropolitan Council
Metro Transit Purchasing Department
515 N. Cleveland Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55114
Phone: (612) 349-5070

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.
TO ORDER:

Complete attached order blank. Please include sales tax. Include either your VISA/MasterCard, American Express or Discover credit card number with the expiration date, or a check/money order made out to the State of Minnesota. Orders by phone are accepted when purchasing with your credit card. Please include a phone number where you can be reached during the day in case we have questions about your order.

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