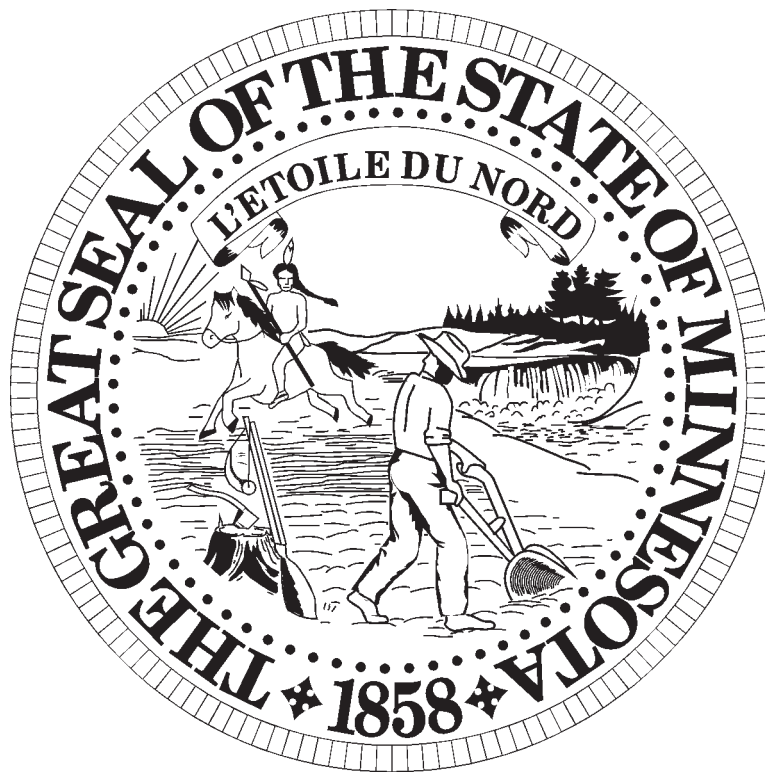


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## Department of Employment and Economic Development Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Vocational Rehabilitation Services; Order of Selection; Consumer Financial Participation; Purchase of Services

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 30, Number 9, pages 197- 213, August 29, 2005 (30 SR 197), are adopted with the following modifications:

### 3300.5010 DEFINITIONS.

#### Subp. 35. **Rehabilitation counseling and guidance.**

"Rehabilitation counseling and guidance" means the process by which a rehabilitation counselor assists an eligible individual to:

- D. gather information and identify support services, if needed, to assist an eligible individual to exercise informed choice.

#### Subp. 44. **Tuition fee schedule.** "Tuition fee schedule" means:

- A. For the regular academic year at all private postsecondary institutions and at public postsecondary institutions outside Minnesota:

- (1) for postsecondary training institutions not offering baccalaureate degrees, an amount determined by averaging the cost of full-time resident tuition at each of the technical and community colleges in the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system. This amount will be calculated annually based on figures from the Minnesota Office of Higher Education Services Office; ~~Services Office~~;

- (2) for postsecondary training institutions offering baccalaureate degrees, an amount determined by averaging the cost of full-time undergraduate resident tuition at each of the state universities in the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system. This amount will be calculated annually based on figures from the Minnesota Office of Higher Education Services Office; ~~Services Office~~; or

- (3) for postsecondary training institutions when the eligible individual is enrolled in a postbaccalaureate degree program, an amount determined by averaging the cost of full-time graduate resident tuition at each of the state universities in the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system. This amount will be calculated annually based on figures from the Minnesota Office of Higher Education Services Office; ~~Services Office~~.

- B. For the summer session at all private postsecondary institutions and at public postsecondary institutions outside Minnesota:

- (1) for postsecondary training institutions not offering baccalaureate degrees, an amount determined by averaging the cost of full-time resident summer school tuition at each of the technical and community colleges in the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system. This amount will be calculated annually based on figures from the Minnesota Office of Higher Education Services Office; ~~Services Office~~;

- (2) for postsecondary training institutions offering baccalaureate degrees, an amount determined by averaging the cost of full-time undergraduate resident summer school tuition at each of the state universities in the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system.

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This amount will be calculated annually based on figures from the Minnesota Office of Higher Education Services Office; or

(3) for postsecondary training institutions when the eligible individual is enrolled in a postbaccalaureate degree program, an amount determined by averaging the cost of full-time graduate resident summer school tuition at each of the state universities in the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system. This amount will be calculated annually based on figures from the Minnesota Office of Higher Education Services Office.

C. For eligible individuals attending any postbaccalaureate degree program at the University of Minnesota:

(1) for the regular academic year, the dollar amount equal to the cost of full-time graduate resident tuition and mandatory student services fees at the Graduate School of the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities campus. This amount is available annually from the Minnesota Office of Higher Education Services Office; or

(2) for summer school, the dollar amount equal to the cost of full-time graduate resident summer school tuition and mandatory student services fees at the Graduate School of the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities campus. This amount is available annually from the Minnesota Office of Higher Education Services Office.

## 3300.5060 TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PROVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES.

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C. Agency purchases of vehicle adaptations must be made as follows:

(5) the agency will contribute no more than the amount necessary for the least costly ~~alternative for the~~ vehicle adaptations that will facilitate the mechanical ability to operate the vehicle. Least costly will be determined by an evaluation by a qualified driver specialist who meets the qualifications necessary to apply for ADED certification, the certification of the Association for Driver Rehabilitation Specialists, or similar organization and by obtaining bids through the state Department of Administration Materials Management Division;

## Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

### Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Repeal of Obsolete Rules

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume, 30, Number 17, pages 419-421, October 24, 2005 (30 SR 419), are adopted as proposed.

## Expedited Emergency Rules

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Expedited emergency rules are effective for the period stated or up to 18 months. Specific *Minnesota Statute* citations accompanying these expedited emergency rules detail the agency's rulemaking authority.

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## Department of Natural Resources

### Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: 2006 Moose Season Quotas

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above entitled rules have been adopted through the process prescribed by *Minnesota Statutes*, section 84.027, subdivision 13 (b). The statutory authority for the contents of the rule is *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 97A.431 and 97B.505.

The emergency conditions that do not allow compliance with *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 97A.0451 to 97A.0459, are that population and harvest data needed prior to setting quotas and bag limits for moose are not available until March. Quota numbers and bag limits are necessary so that harvests and populations can be managed and to allow applicants to evaluate where they want to apply.

Dated: April 4, 2006

Gene Merriam, Commissioner  
Department of Natural Resources

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# Expedited Emergency Rules

## **6232.3855 QUOTAS FOR TAKING MOOSE.**

The number of available licenses for the 2006 moose hunting season is 279. Licenses are distributed by zone as follows:

- A. Moose Zone 20: 15;
- B. Moose Zone 21: 6;
- C. Moose Zone 22: 8;
- D. Moose Zone 23: 6;
- E. Moose Zone 24: 10;
- F. Moose Zone 25: 7;
- G. Moose Zone 26: 10;
- H. Moose Zone 27: 10;
- I. Moose Zone 28: 8;
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- DD. Moose Zone 80: 4.

**EFFECTIVE PERIOD.** Minnesota Rules, part 6232.3855, expires December 31, 2006.

# Revenue Notices

The Department of Revenue began issuing Revenue Notices in July of 1991. Revenue Notices are statements of policy made by the department that provide interpretation, detail, or supplementary information concerning a particular statute, rule, or departmental practice. The authority to issue Revenue Notices is found in *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 270C.07.

## Department of Revenue

### Revenue Notice # 06-02: Job Opportunity Building Zones – Definition of Qualified Business – Prohibition Against Retail

#### Introduction

Under the Minnesota Job Opportunity Building Zone (“JOBZ”) laws, a variety of tax exemptions and credits are available to qualified businesses that are operating in a Zone. During the 2005 Special Session of the Minnesota Legislature, the definition of “qualified business” for purposes of the JOBZ program was amended to preclude retailers from qualifying for JOBZ benefits. In particular, *Minnesota Statutes*, section 469.310, subdivision 11, was amended by *2005 Minnesota Laws*, 1<sup>st</sup> Special Session, Chapter 1, Article 4, Section 107 to read, in part:

(f) A business is not a qualified business if, at its location or locations in the zone, the business is primarily engaged in making retail sales to purchasers who are physically present at the business’s zone location.

The change is effective for businesses that sign business subsidy agreements after June 30, 2005.

This revenue notice (developed in consultation with the Department of Employment and Economic Development) provides guidance on the scope of this law change. It describes those businesses that are not eligible for JOBZ benefits because at their JOBZ location the business is engaged in making retail sales. Nothing in this notice is meant to imply that any other businesses are appropriate JOBZ businesses: all such businesses must meet all other JOBZ eligibility requirements before qualifying for JOBZ tax benefits.

#### Department Position

##### 1. Definition of retail sale

A. A business is engaged in making retail sales if it is selling any merchandise to the general public. Many, but not all of these businesses are classified under the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) under “Retail Trade”. Businesses classified under this section include businesses such as grocery stores, gasoline stations, hardware stores, automobile dealerships, and department stores.

B. A business is engaged in retail sales if it leases merchandise to the general public. This includes businesses such as video or furniture rental stores.

C. Restaurants, bars and other businesses that sell food or beverages to consumers are also engaged in making retail sales.

##### 2. Zone activities must be retail operations

A business is only a retail operation if the business being conducted at the JOBZ location involves sales to purchasers who are physically present. The mere fact that a business is primarily engaged in retail sale activities (as described above) does not preclude it from being a qualified business for those activities that are not retail sale activities.

Example: Furniture Company X’s primary business is the operation of 100 furniture stores throughout the United States. Besides stocking its stores with furniture purchased from independent manufacturers, X also has a plant at which the Company manufactures end tables that are sold to customers at stores throughout the United States. X also has centralized customer service offices that handle customer inquiries and debt collection.

Neither the manufacturing operation nor the customer service center involves any sales to purchasers who are physically present in the JOBZ. Therefore, X could locate either operation in a Zone and be eligible for JOBZ tax benefits.

##### 3. Customers physically present at the JOBZ location

The mere fact that the JOBZ location makes retail sales, as defined above, directly to consumers does not make a business ineligible for JOBZ benefits if the sales are not made to customers who are physically present at the JOBZ location.

Example: Furniture Company Y is the largest mail order retail seller of furniture in the United States. It has no stores in Minnesota or anywhere else. All of its sales are generated through mail order. Since customers are never physically present at the JOBZ location, Y can locate into a JOBZ and be eligible for JOBZ tax benefits.



#### 4. Providers of services

Businesses that are primarily engaged in providing services are generally not engaged in making retail sales, and therefore not precluded from being a qualified business under this revenue notice. This includes businesses such as dental, medical, legal or accounting services, or repair shops.

#### 5. Retail businesses that claim JOBZ benefits

Businesses whose JOBZ activities are primarily engaged in making retail sales as defined in this notice are not eligible for JOBZ benefits. This is true even if the business is operating within a JOBZ zone pursuant to a business subsidy agreement entered into with the appropriate local government entity.

Publication Date: April 17, 2006

John H. Mansun, Assistant Commissioner  
for Tax Policy and External Relations

## Official Notices

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 Commerce

### Minnesota Consumer Credit Code and Regulated Loan Act Adjustment of Dollar Amounts

Dollar amounts indexed in the Regulated Loan Act, *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 56, and the Minnesota Consumer Credit Code, *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 47.59, will increase 10% effective July 1, 2006. *Minnesota Statutes*, Sections 47.59, subdivision 3(i), and 56.131, subdivision 4, provide for periodic adjustment in dollar amounts, effective on July 1 of even-numbered years, based on a percentage change in the Implicit Price Deflator for the Gross Domestic Product.

Statute establishes that the percentage change in the reference base index be 10% or more in order to adjust the dollar amounts. The portion of the percentage change in the index in excess of a multiple of ten percent is to be disregarded, and the dollar amounts shall change only in multiples of ten percent. Information provided by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis indicates a percentage change from the revised reference base to be 33% calculated to the nearest whole percentage point as required. The index for December 1991 is the reference base index for adjustments, with 1987 = 100. The index was revised nationally to 2000 = 100. The rebased index for December 1991 is 85.206, increasing to 113.494 in December 2005, for a change of 33.20%. Indexed dollar amounts have increased by 20% in prior years, and will increase 10% effective July 1, 2006, with the new amounts listed on the following chart.

The history of dollar amounts at various dates is available by reviewing prior official notices, or within the Commerce Department's web site [www.commerce.state.mn.us](http://www.commerce.state.mn.us). The original and current dollar amounts are as follows:

<u>Chapter 47</u>	<u>Original</u>	<u>7-1-06 10% increase</u>
Principal subject to 33% interest <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 47.59, subd. 3(a)(2)	\$750	\$975
Minimum refund <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 47.59, subd. 3(e) and (f)	\$5.00	\$6.50
Default charges <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 47.59, subd. 6(a)(4)	\$5.20	\$6.76

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## Chapter 56

Assumption fee <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 56.12	\$240	\$312
Minimum real estate secured loan <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , §§ 56.12 and 56.125	\$4,320	\$5,616
Maximum closing costs on real estate secured loans <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 56.131, subd. 2(b)	\$400	\$520
Minimum new funds advance for discount points and appraisal fees <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 56.131, subd. 2(d)	\$1,000	\$1,300
Minimum real estate secured loan for discount points <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 56.131, subd. 6	\$12,000	\$15,600

The next published adjustment is scheduled on or before April 30, 2008, for July 1, 2008 based on the December 2007 index.

## Department of Commerce Restrictions on Deficiency Judgments and Minnesota Property Exemption Adjustment of Dollar Amounts

The amount of a deficiency judgment found in *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 325G.22, and property exempt from creditor collection action in *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 550.37 will increase 10% effective July 1, 2006. These statutes require that the dollar amounts be adjusted in even numbered years based on a percentage change in the Implicit Price Deflator for the Gross National Product.

The statute requires that the percentage of change in the reference base index be 10% or more in order to adjust the dollar amounts. The portion of the percentage change in the index in excess of a multiple of ten percent is to be disregarded, and dollar amounts shall change only in multiples of ten percent. Information obtained from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, indicates the percentage change from the revised reference base to be 100% calculated to the nearest whole percentage point as required. The index for December 1980 is the reference base index for adjustments, with 1972=100. The index was revised nationally to 2000=100. The index for December 1980 is 56.043, increasing to 113.477 in December 2005, for a change of 102.48%, when rounded to the nearest whole percentage point is 100%. Indexed dollar amounts have increased by 90% in prior years, and will increase 10% effective July 1, 2006, with the new amounts listed on the following chart.

The history of dollar amounts at various dates is available by reviewing prior official notices, or within the Commerce Department's web site [www.commerce.state.mn.us](http://www.commerce.state.mn.us). The original and current dollar amounts are as follows:

	<u>Original</u>	<u>7-1-06 10% increase 100% increase*</u>
<b>Chapter 325G</b>		
Credit extended <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 325G.22, subd. 1	3,000	6,000
<b>Chapter 550</b>		
Personal goods <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 550.37, subd. 4	4,500	9,000
Wedding rings (effective 6-3-05) <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 550.37, subd. 4	1,225	2,450*
Business <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 550.37, subd. 6	5,000	10,000
Insurance benefits	20,000	40,000

Add'l dependent ins. benefits <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 550.37, subd. 10	5,000	10,000
Motor vehicle	2,000	4,000
Modified for disability	20,000	40,000
Minimum cost of modification <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 550.37, subd. 12a	1,500	3,000
Accrued interest <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 550.37, subd. 23	4,000	8,000
Employee benefits <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 550.37, subd. 24	30,000	60,000

The next published adjustment is scheduled on or before April 30, 2008, for July 1, 2008 based on the December 2007 index.

## Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association Notice of Meeting of Enrollee Appeal Committee April 18, 2006

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a meeting of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association's (MCHA), Enrollee Appeal Committee will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18, 2006, 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(s), pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* 62E.10, subd. 4. For additional information, please call Lynn Gruber at (952) 593-9609.

## Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board Notice of Completed Application in the Matter of the License Application of the Clearwater Ambulance Service, Bagley, Minnesota

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board (hereinafter EMSRB) has received a completed application from the **Clearwater Ambulance Service, Bagley, Minnesota**, for a new license, advanced ambulance – specialized.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* sec. 144E.11, subd. 3, each municipality, county, community health board, governing body of a regional emergency medical services system, ambulance service and other person wishing to make recommendations concerning the disposition of the application, shall make written recommendations or comments opposing the application to the EMSRB within 30 days or by May 17, 2006, 4:30 p.m.

Written recommendations or comments opposing the application should be sent to:

Mary Hedges, Executive Director,  
EMSRB, 2829 University Avenue S.E., Suite 310,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414-3222.

If fewer than six comments opposing the application are received during the comment period, and the EMSRB approves the application, the applicant will be exempt from a contested case hearing, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* sec. 144E.11, subd. 4. If six or more comments in opposition to the application are received during the comment period or the EMSRB denies the application, the applicant may immediately request a contested case hearing, or may try to resolve the objections of the public and/or the EMSRB within 30 days, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* sec. 144E.11, sub. 5(a), (b). If the applicant is unable to resolve the objections within 30 days, or if the applicant initially requests a contested case hearing one will be scheduled and notice of the hearing given pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* sec. 144E.11, subd. 5(c), (e).

Dated: April 7, 2006

Mary F. Hedges, Executive Director

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## Department of Human Services

### Training and Quality Assurance Division

#### Notice of Availability of Citizen Review Panel Report

The federal Child Abuse Prevention & Treatment Act requires states to establish at least three Citizen Review Panels to evaluate how well state and local agencies are fulfilling their child protection responsibilities. The Minnesota Citizen Review Panels have completed their sixth year of operation and the 2005 Annual Report is now available. The report provides an overview of the work of four panels in Chisago, Ramsey, Winona and Washington Counties. Panel members evaluate and make recommendations on how to improve child protection services, juvenile court processes, concurrent permanency planning, and child development and attachment issues. For a copy of the report contact:

Karen Beaumont  
Department of Human Services  
Training and Quality Assurance Division  
444 Lafayette Road North  
St. Paul, MN 55155-3830  
(651) 215-1284

## Department of Human Services

### Request for Public Input on State Plan to Expand Community-Based System for Providing Mental Health Services for Adults with Serious Mental Illness and Children with Severe Emotional Disturbances

The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) is seeking public comment into the updates to and implementation of the State plan for 2005 to 2007 to expand the community-based system for providing mental health services for adults with serious mental illness and children with severe emotional disturbances.

As an ongoing process, the federal Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, through the Center for Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), awards Block Grants to States to establish or expand this community-based system. DHS is required to submit a grant application that includes the State plan. The annual federal grant to Minnesota is currently about \$6 million.

The key goals of the plan and the grant funding are:

- Access to a comprehensive system of care, including employment, housing, case management, rehabilitation, dental and health services, along with mental health services and supports;
- Participation of consumers/survivors and their families in planning and evaluation of state systems;
- Access for underserved populations, including homeless people and rural populations;
- Promoting recovery, resiliency for children, and community integration of people with psychiatric disabilities; and,
- Accountability through uniform reporting on access, quality, and outcomes of services.

The 2003 Final Report of the President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health entitled "Achieving the Promise: Transforming Mental Health Care in America" recommends six broad goals for a transformed public mental health system that would promote recovery from mental illness:

1. Americans understand that mental health is essential to overall health;
2. Mental health care is consumer and family-driven;
3. Disparities in mental health services are eliminated;
4. Early mental health screening, assessment and referral are common practice;
5. Excellent mental health care is delivered and research is accelerated; and,
6. Technology is used to access mental health care and information.

DHS is preparing the annual update to the existing Minnesota plan that has been approved by SAMHSA for Federal Fiscal Years 2005 to 2007. The plan has two parts: the application and the implementation report. The application includes:

- an overview of Minnesota's mental health system,
- identified areas where particular attention is needed,
- significant achievements in previous year,
- new developments and issues,
- legislative initiatives and changes,

- description of regional and county programs,
- strengths and weaknesses of the service system,
- unmet service needs and critical gaps in the current system,
- state priorities and plans to address unmet needs,
- goals and measurable targets the state plans to achieve annually, and
- the proposed use of the federal block grant funds for the upcoming year.

The implementation report (which is completed later each year):

- reports on the state's progress in meeting the goals and targets in the previous year's plan,
- provides mental health data and information on a common national data collection system, and
- reports how the state uses the grant funds.

Public input is sought into the updates and implementation of the existing plan. Inputs on updates to the existing plan must be submitted no later than close of business on July 24, 2006 for consideration for inclusion in the Federal Fiscal Year 2007 plan updates.

Ongoing input is encouraged and will be considered on an ongoing basis.

The plan is updated on an annual basis. The completed 2005 to 2007 plan is available on the DHS Mental Health Division Website under "reports" at:

[http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/group/disabilities/documents/pub/dhs\\_id\\_003495.hcsp#FBG2005](http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/group/disabilities/documents/pub/dhs_id_003495.hcsp#FBG2005)

The 2005 (the most recent) Implementation Report is also on the website. The updated 2007 plan will be added to the website within a month of completion (around October 1, 2006), and the 2006 Implementation Report will be added to the website within a month of completion (around January 1, 2007).

Please provide written input to Richard Seurer by mail at Mental Health Division, Minnesota Department of Human Services, PO Box 64981, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0981 or by e-mail at ([Richard.Seurer@state.mn.us](mailto:Richard.Seurer@state.mn.us)).

## Department of Labor and Industry

### Labor Standards Unit

#### Notice of Correction to Commercial Prevailing Wage Rates for Carpenters in Aitkin County

A **correction** has been made to the Commercial Prevailing Wage Rates certified 12/27/05, for **Labor Code 404**, Carpenters, in Aitkin County.

Copies with the correction of the certified wage rates for this county 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, or accessing our web site at [www.doli.state.mn.us](http://www.doli.state.mn.us). Charges for the cost of copying and mailing are \$.25 per page. Make check or money order payable to the State of Minnesota.

M. Scott Brener  
Commissioner

## Department of Labor and Industry

### Labor Standards Unit

#### Notice of Correction to Commercial Prevailing Wage Rates for Painters in Stearns County

A **Correction** has been made to the Commercial Prevailing Wage Rates certified 12/27/05, for **Labor Code 415**, Painters, in Stearns County.

Copies with the corrected certified wage rates for this County 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, or accessing our web site at [www.doli.state.mn.us](http://www.doli.state.mn.us). Charges for the cost of copying and mailing are \$.25 per page for the first 100 pages, \$.65 per page after that. Make check or money order payable to the State of Minnesota.

M. Scott Brener  
Commissioner

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## Department of Natural Resources Division of Ecological Services

### Notice of Waters Identified and Designated as Infested Waters

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources that until further notice, the following waters in the state have been identified and designated as infested waters in *Minnesota Rules*, part 6216.0350. Activities at these waters are subject to *Minnesota Rules*, parts 6216.0100 to 6216.0600, *Minnesota Statutes*, section 84D.13, and other applicable laws.

#### Waters designated as infested with Eurasian water milfoil.

The following water bodies are identified and designated by the commissioner as infested with Eurasian water milfoil (*Myriophyllum spicatum*).

NAME	DNR Protected Waters Inventory Number
<b>Anoka County</b>	
Cenaiko Lake	02-0654
Centerville Lake	02-0006
Coon Lake	02-0042
Crooked Lake	02-0084
Lake George	02-0091
Otter Lake	02-0003
Lake Peltier	02-0004
Unnamed lake (in Springbrook Nature Center)	02-0688
<b>Blue Earth County</b>	
Lura Lake	070079
<b>Carver County</b>	
Lake Ann	10-0012
Auburn Lake	10-0044
Bavaria Lake	10-0019
Burandt Lake	10-0084
Eagle Lake	10-0121
Firemen's Lake	10-0226
Lotus Lake	10-0006
Lake Minnewashta	10-0009
Parley Lake	10-0042
Pierson Lake	10-0053
Riley Lake	10-0002
Schutz Lake	10-0018
Steiger Lake	10-0045
Stone Lake	10-0056
Susan Lake	10-0013
Lake Virginia	10-0015
Lake Waconia	10-0059
Wasserman Lake	10-0048
Lake Zumbra	10-0041
<b>Cass County</b>	
Leech Lake	11-0203
<b>Chisago County</b>	
Ellen Lake	13-0047
Green Lake	13-0041
North Lindstrom	13-0035

Rush Lake 13-0069

**Crow Wing County**

Bay Lake 18-0034  
Ossawinnamakee Lake 18-0352  
Ripple River, between Bay Lake and Tame Fish Lake 18-0000  
Ruth Lake 18-0212

**Dakota County**

Crystal Lake 19-0027  
Early Lake 19-0033  
Keller Lake 19-0025  
Lac Lavon 19-0347  
Lake Marion 19-0026  
Schultz Lake 19-0075  
Sunset Pond 19-0451  
Twin Lakes 19-0028  
Unnamed Pond in Valley park 19-0348

**Douglas County**

Oscar Lake 21-0257

**Hennepin County**

Arbor Lake located in the south ½ of the SW ¼ of Section 23,  
Township 119N Range 22W private  
Arbor Lake north located in the NW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 23,  
Township 119N Range 22W private  
Arbor Lake west 27-1130  
Arrowhead Lake 27-0045  
Bass Lake 27-0098  
Brownie Lake 27-0038  
Bryant Lake 27-0067  
Bush Lake 27-0047  
Lake Calhoun 27-0031  
Cedar Lake 27-0039  
Christmas Lake 27-0137  
Dutch Lake 27-0181  
Eagle Lake 27-0111  
Fish Lake 27-0118  
Forest Lake 27-0139  
Galpin Lake 27-0144  
Gleason Lake 27-0095  
Lake Harriet 27-0016  
Hiawatha Lake 27-0018  
Lake Independence 27-0176  
Lake of the Isles 27-0040  
Libbs Lake 27-0085  
Little Long Lake 27-0179  
Long Lake 27-0160  
Medicine Lake 27-0104  
Minnehaha Creek 27-0000  
Lake Minnetonka 27-0133  
Mitchell Lake 27-0070  
Niccum's Pond located in the NW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 10,

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Township 117N Range 24W	private
Lake Nokomis	27-0019
Parker's Lake	27-0107
Peavy Lake	27-0138
Lake Rebecca	27-0192
Rice Lake	27-0116
Round Lake	27-0071
Lake Sarah	27-0191
Schmidt Lake	27-0102
Snelling Lake	27-0001
Swan Lake located in the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 4, Township 117N Range 23W	private
Tanager Lake	27-0141
Unnamed wetland	27-0900
Whaletail Lake	27-0184
Wirth Lake	27-0037
Wolfe Lake	27-0664
<b>Isanti County</b>	
Green Lake	30-0136
<b>Itasca County</b>	
Ice Lake	31-0372
McKinney Lake	31-0370
North Twin Lake	31-0190
<b>Kanabec County</b>	
Knife Lake	33-0028
<b>Kandiyohi County</b>	
Green	34-0079
Norway	34-0251
<b>Le Sueur County</b>	
East Jefferson Lake	40-0092
German Lake	40-0063
<b>Meeker County</b>	
Lake Manuella	47-0050
Ripley Lake	47-0134
Stella Lake	47-0068
Lake Washington	47-0046
Wolf Lake	47-0016
<b>Mille Lacs County</b>	
Lake Mille Lacs, and from the mouths of each tributary to Lake Mille Lacs upstream to the first public road	48-0002  48-0000
<b>Morrison County</b>	
Lake Alexander	49-0079



**Olmsted County**

George Lake 55-0008

**Pine County**

Cross Lake 58-0119

Pokegama Lake 58-0142

Sand Lake 58-0081

Snake River between Lake Pokegama and Cross Lake 58-0000

Unnamed gravel pit, located in S½ of Section 14,  
Township 41, Range 21W private**Pope County**

Gilchrist Lake 61-0072

Lake Minnewaska 61-0130

**Ramsey County**

Bald Eagle Lake 62-0002

Beaver Lake 62-0016

Birch Lake 62-0024

Lake Gervais 62-0007

Island Lake 62-0075

Keller Lake 62-0010

Kohlmans Lake 62-0006

Loeb Lake 62-0231

McCarron Lake 62-0054

Lake Owasso 62-0056

Phalen Lake 62-0013

Pond Six 62-0271

Pond three located in the SE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 4,  
Township 28N Range 22W private

Round Lake 62-0012

Silver Lake 62-0001

Snail Lake 62-0073

Spoon Creek (between Keller and Phalen lakes) 62-0000

Sucker Lake 62-0028

Turtle Lake 62-0061

Lake Vadnais 62-0038

Lake Wabasso 62-0082

White Bear Lake 82-0167

**Rice County**

Cedar Lake 66-0052

**St. Louis County**

Gilbert Pit Lake 69-1306

Horseshoe Lake 69-0503

**Scott County**

Lower Prior Lake 70-0026

O'Dowd Lake 70-0095

Thole Lake 70-0120

Upper Prior Lake 70-0072

**Sherburne County**

Eagle 71-0067

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Little Elk Lake	71-0055
<b>Stearns and Todd County</b>	
Sauk Lake	77-0150
Unnamed wetland along the Clearwater River	73-0312
<b>Todd County</b>	
Little Birch	77-0089
<b>Waseca County</b>	
Clear Lake	81.0014
<b>Washington County</b>	
Big Marine Lake	82-0052
Lake Elmo	82-0106
Long Lake	82.0118
Powers Lake	82-0092
St. Croix River	82-0001
Sunset Lake	82-0153
White Bear Lake	82-0167
<b>Wright County</b>	
Augusta Lake	86-0284
Beebe Lake	86-0023
Buffalo Lake	86-0090
Clearwater Lake	86-0252
Clearwater River (downstream of Clearwater L.)	86-0000
Deer Lake	86-0107
Fish Lake	86-0183
French Lake	86-0273
Goose Lake	86-0108
Howard Lake	86-0199
Indian Lake	86-0223
Lake Mary	86-0156
Mink Lake	86-0088
Little Waverly Lake	86-0106
Lake Pulaski	86-0053
Ramsey Lake	86-0120
Rock Lake	86-0182
Sugar Lake	86-0233
Waverly Lake	86-0114
Weigand Lake	86-0242

## Multiple Counties

Mississippi River (downstream of St. Anthony Falls)

## Waters designated as infested with round goby.

The following water bodies are identified and designated by the commissioner as infested with round goby (*Neogobius melanostomus*).

### DNR Protected Waters

NAME	Inventory Number
<b>Multiple Counties</b>	
Lake Superior	16-0001
St. Louis River (downstream of the Fond du Lac dam)	

**Waters designated as infested with ruffe.**

The following water bodies are identified and designated by the commissioner as infested with ruffe (*Gymnocephalus cernuus*).

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>DNR Protected Waters Inventory Number</b>
<b>Multiple Counties</b>	Lake Superior	16-0001
	St. Louis River (downstream of the Fond du Lac dam)	

**Waters designated as infested with spiny water flea.**

The following water bodies are identified and designated by the commissioner as infested with spiny water flea (*Bythotrephes cederstroemi*).

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>DNR Protected Waters Inventory Number</b>
<b>Cook County</b>	Flour Lake	16-0147
	Greenwood Lake	16-0077
	McFarland Lake	16-0027
	Pine Lake	16-0041
	Lake Saganaga	16-0633
<b>St. Louis County</b>	Fish Lake	69-0491
	Island Lake	69-0372

**Multiple Counties**

Lake Superior	16-0001
Cloquet River (from Island Lake to the St. Louis River)	
St. Louis River (downstream of the Cloquet River)	

**Waters designated as infested with white perch.**

The following water bodies are identified and designated by the commissioner as infested with white perch (*Morone americana*).

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>DNR Protected Waters Inventory Number</b>
<b>Multiple Counties</b>	Lake Superior	16-0001
	St. Louis River (downstream of the Fond du Lac dam)	

**Waters designated as infested with zebra mussels.**

The following water bodies are identified and designated by the commissioner as infested with zebra mussel (*Dreissena* spp.).

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>DNR Protected Waters Inventory Number</b>
<b>Benton County</b>	Little Rock Channel	05-0012
	Little Rock Lake	05-0013
<b>Crow Wing County</b>	Black Bear Lake	18-0140
	Boom Lake	18-0529
	Half-Moon Lake	18-0238
	Little Rabbit Lake	18-0139
	Miller Lake	18-133
	Ossawinnamakee Lake	180352
	Pelican Brook from the source at Ossawinnamakee Lake to the Pine River	
Pickereel Lake	18-0232	

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Pine River from the mouth of Pelican Brook to the  
Mississippi River  
Rice Lake 18-0145  
Unnamed wetland 18-0235  
Unnamed wetland located in the NE ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 3,  
Township 135N Range 27W  
Unnamed wetland located in the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 2,  
Township 46N Range 30W  
Unnamed wetland located in the NE ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 2,  
Township 46N Range 30W  
Unnamed wetland located in the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 33,  
Township 135N Range 27W  
Unnamed wetland located in the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 33 of  
Township 46N Range 30W

## Mille Lacs County

Lake Mille Lacs 48 0002  
All tributaries to Lake Mille Lacs from the mouth to the  
first public road

## Olmsted County

Lake Zumbro 550004

## Washington County

St. Croix River, downstream of the St. Croix Boomsite  
Recreation Area, at river mile 25.4

## Wright County

Fish Lake 86-0183

## Multiple Counties

Lake Superior 160001  
Mississippi River, from the mouth of the Pine River in  
Crow Wing County to the Minnesota – Iowa border  
St. Louis River, downstream of the Fond du Lac dam  
(4) Zumbro River, downstream of Lake Zumbro

Dated: April 4, 2006

Department of Natural Resources  
Invasive Species Program  
William J. Rendall

## Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting

The Ombudsman for MHDD Advisory Committee will hold a meeting from 9:00a.m. to 1:00p.m. on April 20, 2006. The meeting will be held in Suite 420 Metro Square Bldg., 121 7<sup>th</sup> Place E., St. Paul. Please RSVP to Paula at (651) 296-3848 or (800) 657-3506.

## Department of Revenue

### Notice of Open Forum Meeting to Review and Discuss the Department of Revenue's Preliminary Draft Amendments to Rules Governing Valuation and Assessment of the Property of Utility Companies, *Minnesota Rules*, Chapter 8100

The Department of Revenue will host a meeting on May 4, 2006. The meeting will be held in the Room 2000 at the Minnesota Department of Revenue and is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Information concerning the rules is posted on the Department's website at:

[http://www.taxes.state.mn.us/taxes/other\\_supporting\\_content/rule\\_report.shtml](http://www.taxes.state.mn.us/taxes/other_supporting_content/rule_report.shtml).

For further information contact:

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Appeals and Legal Services Division  
Minnesota Department of Revenue  
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TTY users may call the Department at Minnesota Relay 711

## State Contracts

**Informal Solicitations:** Informal solicitations for professional/technical (consultant) contracts valued at over \$5,000 through \$50,000, may either be published in the *State Register* or posted on the Department of Administration, Materials Management Division's (MMD) Web site. Interested vendors are encouraged to monitor the P/T Contract Section of the MMD Web site at [www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us](http://www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us) for informal solicitation announcements.

**Formal Solicitations:** Department of Administration procedures require that formal solicitations (announcements for contracts with an estimated value over \$50,000) for professional/technical contracts must be published in the *State Register*. Certain quasi-state agency and Minnesota State College and University institutions are exempt from these requirements.

## Department of Administration

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# State Contracts

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## Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Request for Bid: PRINT and FULFILLMENT of Go Places Publications

The Office of the Chancellor is requesting bids from qualified vendors for the printing and fulfillment of Go Places publications.

Specifications are available by visiting the website: [www.mnscu.edu/goplacesrfb](http://www.mnscu.edu/goplacesrfb) or by contacting Chris McGing, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, Wells Fargo Place, 30 - 7<sup>th</sup> St. E., Suite 350, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, (651) 297-2720, or e-mail [christine.mcging@so.mnscu.edu](mailto:christine.mcging@so.mnscu.edu). Sealed bids must be received by Wednesday, May 10, 2006, 3:00 pm CST.

This request does not obligate Minnesota State Colleges and Universities to complete the proposed project, and the system reserves the right to cancel this solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system is an Equal Opportunity employer and educator.

## Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Request for Proposal (RFP) for Provision of Online Tutoring Services

**Description:** The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) is the fifth-largest higher education system in the U.S. and is comprised of 33 two-year and four-year state colleges and universities with 53 campuses located in 46 Minnesota communities. MnSCU colleges and universities serve about 150,000 students each semester and produce about 30,000 graduates a year.

The MnSCU/Academic Innovations Unit within the Office of the Chancellor is responsible for providing support for MnSCU work efforts. MnSCU ([www.minnesotainline.org](http://www.minnesotainline.org)) provides an online gateway to the extensive array of online courses and programs within MnSCU. During the last school year, more than 30,000 students availed themselves of online learning opportunities from MnSCU.

Minnesota Online is governed by the Minnesota Online Council that includes representatives from the various stakeholder groups within MnSCU. The Council reports directly to the Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs and is supported by the Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Innovations. A number of work groups have been established to support the work of the Council. The work group that initially sponsored this RFP was the eStudent Services work group. The work group has had numerous discussions around this topic since the fall of 2005. Recently, the eStudent Services work group established a Tutoring sub-committee that will focus on promoting best practices in online tutoring services and will provide oversight to this project. Members of the sub-committee come from campuses throughout MnSCU.

MnSCU is requesting proposals to assist in developing an online tutoring "solution" for online students. Selection of vendors shall be based on MnSCU's evaluation of responses. While vendors must respond to MnSCU's pricing specifications, they are also encouraged to offer alternative pricing strategies. MnSCU intends to enter into a contract with the selected vendor, and this contract will contain all the terms and conditions required by this request for proposals (RFP), as well as further terms and conditions negotiated between MnSCU, the Office of the Chancellor's General Counsel and/or the Office of the Attorney General, and the selected vendor.

MnSCU has estimated that the cost of this project should not exceed \$120,000 (one hundred twenty thousand dollars). This cost is inclusive of all implementation and tutoring services.

Proposals are due: **May 19, 2006 — 3:00 PM CDT (Central Daylight Time)**

More information can be found at: [www.tutoring\\_rfp.project.mnscu.edu](http://www.tutoring_rfp.project.mnscu.edu)

## Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Minneapolis Community and Technical College Notice of Intent to Solicit Bids for New Welding Equipment as Described Below

**Description:** Lincoln Robotic system package (to include enclosure, 6 axis robot, Powerwave 355M GMAW, drive rolls and quick change neck). Include software option, AD 177 Torchgate software and hardware option and AD 1228-4 Power Ream torch cleaning station

**Contact:** Todd Bridigum at 612-659-6054 or by email at

**E-mail:** [todd.bridigum@minneapolis.edu](mailto:todd.bridigum@minneapolis.edu)

**Deadline for Bids:** Friday April 21, 2006 at 2:00pm

## Department of Commerce

### Notice of Request for Proposals for a Licensing and Regulation Solution

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Minnesota Department of Commerce is requesting proposals for the purpose of purchasing a complete, proven, secure, web-based licensing and regulation solution for Real Estate, Appraiser, Mortgage Originator, and Debt Collector licenses. The solution must integrate with the previously purchased Sircon for States product, and with the Minnesota enterprise licensing system.

The preferred solution will conform to State of Minnesota enterprise architecture and standards, and integrate with the initiatives identified in the Drive to Excellence Transformation Roadmap, a document designed to transform the face of Minnesota government and streamline its business processes.

Work is proposed to start after July 1, 2006.

A Request for Proposals will be available by mail from this office through May 11, 2006. **A written request (by direct mail or e-mail) is required to receive the Request for Proposal.** After May 11, 2006, the Request for Proposal must be picked up in person.

The Request for Proposal can be obtained from:

Judy Schmidt  
Minnesota Department of Commerce  
85 - 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 500  
St Paul, MN 55101  
**E-mail:** [judy.schmidt@state.mn.us](mailto:judy.schmidt@state.mn.us)

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received at the address above no later than 2:30 PM CDT on Wednesday, May 17, 2006. **Late proposals will not be considered.** Proposals submitted by fax or e-mail will **NOT** be considered.

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.

## Supreme Court

### Request for Proposal for Public Opinion of the Minnesota Courts Study

The Minnesota Supreme Court is seeking a vendor that will work with the Court Information Office to conduct a public survey concerning the opinion of the Minnesota Courts.

In 1999, in response to the Minnesota Supreme Court's involvement in the National Conference on Building Public Trust and Confidence, the Minnesota Supreme Court contracted with a Minnesota based public opinion polling company to conduct a survey of 1,000 Minnesota citizens about their attitudes about and expectations of Minnesota's courts. The result was published in a report: *1999 Public Opinion of the Courts Study*.

This project will be a follow-up of that study designed to gauge how public attitudes about the courts might have changed, and to surface new issues that were not evident in the 1999 study.

Respondent will be expected to work with the Judicial Branch's Court Information Office, a division of the Office of the State Court Administrator, to develop questions for a new survey of approximately 1,000 Minnesota residents. The contractor will also be charged with conducting the survey, data analysis, and preparation of a report summarizing the findings, including presentation of the results for each of the questions asked. It is understood that the survey will be conducted by professional interviewers using a computer aided telephone interviewing system, with supervisors using electronic monitoring equipment for quality control.

Contract will warrant that sampling for the survey will provide results that are accurate within five percent (5%) at the ninety-five percent (95%) confidence level.

Final selection will be based on a review by the State Court Administrator that will consider applicants' knowledge of Minnesota, professional reputation, and experience conducting similar types of polling. Final decision will be made by the State Court Administrator.

Project deadline is June 15, 2006. Proposals are due, Friday, April 21, 2006.

Inquiries concerning this solicitation may be delivered by mail, express courier, e-mail, hand, or fax to:

John Kostouros  
Minnesota Supreme Court  
Court Information Office  
25 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Blvd

# State Contracts

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St. Paul, MN 55155

**Phone:** (651) 296-6043

**E-mail:** [www.john.kostouros@courts.state.mn.us](mailto:www.john.kostouros@courts.state.mn.us)

## Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)

### Engineering Services Division

#### Notice of Potential Availability of Contracting Opportunities for a Variety of Highway Related Technical Activities (the "Consultant Pre-Qualification Program")

This document is available in alternative formats for persons with disabilities by calling Ron Bisek at (651) 296-1361 for persons who are hearing or speech impaired by calling the Minnesota Relay Service at (800) 627-3529.

Mn/DOT, working in conjunction with the Consultant Reform Committee, the Minnesota Consulting Engineers Council, and the Department of Administration, has developed the Consultant Pre-qualification Program as a new method of consultant selection. The ultimate goal of the Pre-Qualification Program is to streamline the process of contracting for highway related professional/technical services. Mn/DOT anticipates that most consultant contracts for highway-related technical activities will be awarded using this method, however, Mn/DOT also reserves the right to use RFP or other selection processes for particular projects. Nothing in this solicitation requires Mn/DOT to complete or use the Consultant Pre-qualification Program.

Mn/DOT is currently requesting applications from consultants. Refer to Mn/DOT's Consultant Services web site, indicated below, to see which highway related professional/technical services are available at this time. Following the advertisement of particular category of services, applications will be accepted on a continual basis.

All expenses incurred in responding to this notice will be borne by the responder. Response to this notice becomes public information under the Minnesota Government Data Practices.

Consultant Pre-Qualification Program information, application requirements and application forms are available on Mn/DOT's **web site** at: <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/consult>

Send completed application material to:

Ron Bisek  
Consultant Services  
Office of Technical Support  
Minnesota Department of Transportation  
Consultant Services  
395 John Ireland Boulevard, Seventh Floor North, Mail Stop 680  
St. Paul, MN 55155

**Note: DUE DATE: APPLICATION MATERIAL WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A CONTINUAL BASIS.**

## Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)

### Engineering Services Division

#### Notice Concerning Professional/Technical Contract Opportunities

**NOTICE TO ALL:** The Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) is now placing additional public notices for professional/technical contract opportunities on Mn/DOT's Consultant Services **website** at: [www.dot.state.mn.us/consult](http://www.dot.state.mn.us/consult).

New public notices may be added to the website on a daily basis and be available for the time period as indicated within the public notice.



## 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 commodity, project or tasks; 4) cost estimate; and 5) final submission date of completed contract proposal. Allow at least three weeks from publication date (four weeks from the date article is submitted for publication). Surveys show that subscribers are interested in hearing about contracts for estimates as low as \$1,000. Contact editor for further details.

## Metropolitan Council

### Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Occupational Health and Medical Services

#### Contract Number 06P061

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting proposals for Occupational Health and Medical Services.

<i>Issue RFP</i>	<b>April 12, 2006</b>
<i>Proposals Due</i>	<b>May 12, 2006</b>
<i>Selection of Firm</i>	<b>May 2006</b>
<i>Project Activities</i>	<b>June 1, 2006 to May 31, 2011</b>

Firms interested in providing these services should request a copy of the RFP from the contact listed below:

Harriet Simmons, Senior Administrative Assistant,  
Contracts and Procurement Unit  
Metropolitan Council  
230 East Fifth Street  
Mears Park Centre  
St. Paul, MN 55101  
**Phone:** (651) 602-1086  
**Fax:** (651) 602-1083  
**E-mail:** [harriet.simmons@metc.state.mn.us](mailto:harriet.simmons@metc.state.mn.us)

## Metropolitan Council

### Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Systems and Asset Monitoring

#### Contract Number 06P056

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting proposals for consulting assistance to help define the requirements and identify appropriate enterprise management tools (performance, capacity, asset management) to acquire and deploy into its environment.

<i>Issue RFP</i>	<b>April 17, 2006</b>
<i>Proposals Due</i>	<b>May 4, 2006</b>
<i>Selection of Firm</i>	<b>May 2006</b>
<i>Project Activities</i>	<b>June – November 2006</b>

Firms interested in providing these services should request a copy of the RFP from the contact listed below:

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# Non-State Contracts & Grants

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## Metropolitan Council - Metro Transit Request for Proposals for Digital Recording System Procurement No. 7050

Metro Transit, a division of the Metropolitan Council, is seeking proposals to supply and install a complete digital recording system at Metro Transit's Hiawatha Operations and Maintenance Facility. The existing system is a multiplexer-24 hour VHS recording system with a total of 123 cameras. The vendor will be responsible for removing the existing system and turning over all equipment to Metro Transit.

A walk through will take place at 9:00 a.m. on April 25, 2006 at the Hiawatha Operations and Maintenance Facility, 1810 E. Franklin Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55404.

Proposals are due no later than 2 p.m. on May 10, 2006.

Firms interested in receiving the Request for Proposals document should contact:

Christopher Gran, Director of Purchasing  
Metro Transit  
515 N. Cleveland Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55114  
**Phone:** (612) 349-5060  
**Fax:** (612) 349-5069  
**E-mail:** [christopher.gran@metc.state.mn.us](mailto:christopher.gran@metc.state.mn.us)

## University of Minnesota Subscribe to Bid Information Service (BIS)

The University of Minnesota offers 24 hour/day, 7day/week access to all Request for Bids/Proposals through its web-based Bid Information Service (BIS). Subscriptions to BIS are free. Visit our website at [bidinfo.umn.edu](http://bidinfo.umn.edu) or call the BIS Coordinator at (612) 625-5534.

Request for Bids/Proposals are also available to the public each business day from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Purchasing Services lobby, Suite 560, 1300 S. 2nd Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55454.

## Minnesota Workers' Compensation Assigned Risk Plan Notice of Request for Proposals for Collection Services

The Minnesota Workers' Compensation Assigned Risk Plan intends to contract with one or more licensed collection agencies to provide collection services. The contract period will commence on July 1, 2006. Interested parties may obtain the complete Request for Proposals by sending a written request by mail, fax, or email to:

Minnesota Workers' Compensation Assigned Risk Plan  
4500 Park Glen Road, Suite 410  
Minneapolis, MN 55416  
**Fax:** (952) 922-5423  
**E-mail:** [info@mwcarp.org](mailto:info@mwcarp.org)

Please provide an email address if you wish to receive the RFP via email. Deadline for submission of proposals is Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 4:00 p.m.

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