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An agency must first solicit **Comments on Planned Rules** or **Comments on Planned Rule Amendments** from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency (*Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.101). It does this by publishing a notice in the *State Register* at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, or within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking.

When rules are first drafted, state agencies publish them as **Proposed Rules**, along with a notice of hearing, or a notice of intent to adopt rules without a hearing in the case of noncontroversial rules. This notice asks for comment on the rules as proposed. Proposed emergency rules and withdrawn proposed rules are also published in the *State Register*. After proposed rules have gone through the comment period, and have been rewritten into their final form, they again appear in the *State Register* as **Adopted Rules**. These final adopted rules are not printed in their entirety in the *State Register*, only the changes made since their publication as Proposed Rules. To see the full rule, as adopted and in effect, a person simply needs two issues of the *State Register*, the issue the rule appeared in as proposed, and later as adopted. For a more detailed description of the rulemaking process, see the most current edition of the *Minnesota Guidebook to State Agency Services*.

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Rules to be Adopted After a Hearing. After receiving comments and deciding to hold a public hearing on the rule, an agency drafts its rule. It then publishes its rules with a notice of hearing. All persons wishing to make a statement must register at the hearing. Anyone who wishes to submit written comments may do so at the hearing, or within five working days of the close of the hearing. Administrative law judges may, during the hearing, extend the period for receiving comments up to 20 calendar days. For five business days after the submission period the agency and interested persons may respond to any new information submitted during the written submission period and the record then is closed. The administrative law judge prepares a report within 30 days, stating findings of fact, conclusions and recommendations. After receiving the report, the agency decides whether to adopt, withdraw or modify the proposed rule based on consideration of the comments made during the rule hearing procedure and the report of the administrative law judge. The agency must wait five days after receiving the report before taking any action.

Rules to be Adopted Without a Hearing. Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* § 14.22, an agency may propose to adopt, amend, suspend or repeal rules without first holding a public hearing. An agency must first solicit **Comments on Planned Rules** or **Comments on Planned Rule Amendments** from the public. The agency then publishes a notice of intent to adopt rules without a public hearing, together with the proposed rules, in the *State Register*. If, during the 30-day comment period, 25 or more persons submit to the agency a written request for a hearing of the proposed rules, the agency must proceed under the provisions of §§ 14.14-14.20, which state that if an agency decides to hold a public hearing, it must publish a notice of intent in the *State Register*.

KEY: Proposed Rules - <u>Underlining</u> indicates additions to existing rule language. <u>Strikeouts</u> indicate deletions from existing rule language. If a proposed rule is totally new, it is designated "all new material." **Adopted Rules** - <u>Underlining</u> indicates additions to proposed rule language. <u>Strikeout</u> indicates deletions from proposed rule language.

Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry Construction Codes and Licensing Division

Proposed Amendment to Rules Governing the Minnesota State Fire Code, *Minnesota Rules*: Proposed New Chapter 7511, Proposed Repeal of Most of Chapter 7510

DUAL NOTICE: Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing Unless 25 or More Persons Request a Hearing, And Notice of Hearing If 25 or More Requests For Hearing Are Received

Introduction. The Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) intends to adopt rules without a public hearing following the procedures set forth in the rules of the Office of Administrative Hearings, *Minnesota Rules*, parts 1400.2300 to 1400.2310, and the Administrative Procedure Act, *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.22 to 14.28. If, however, 25 or more persons submit a written request for a hearing on the rules by 4:30 p.m. on December 6, 2006, a public hearing will be held the Minnesota Room, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, 443 Lafayette Road N., St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, starting at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, December 18, 2006. To find out whether the rules will be held, you should contact the agency contact person after December 6, 2006, and before December 18, 2006.

Agency Contact Person. Comments or questions on the rules and written requests for a public hearing on the rules must be submitted to the agency contact person. The agency contact person is: Carrie Rohling at the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, 443 Lafayette Road N., St. Paul, MN 55155, phone: (651) 284-5217, FAX: (651) 284-5725, and e-mail: *DLI.rules@state.mn.us*. TTY users may call DLI at (651) 297-4198.

Subject of Rules and Statutory Authority. The proposed rules are about the fire safety requirements for buildings, structures and premises. A free copy of the proposed rules is available upon request from the agency contact person listed above. The proposed rules are also available on the Department of Labor and Industry's Web site at:

http://www.doli.state.mn.us/pdf/rulemaking_7510_7511_revisors_draft_10_20_06.pdf

The purpose and motivation for the proposed rules is to provide the most up-to-date standards consistent with nationally recognized good practice establishing minimum safeguards of life and property together with regulating the use and maintenance of buildings, structures and premises. The current *Minnesota Rules* (chapter 7510) are based on the 2000 International Fire Code (IFC). The IFC is a model fire code promulgated by the International Code Council. The proposed rules are based on the 2006 IFC, which is the latest version of the IFC. The proposed rules incorporate the 2006 IFC by reference, and also modify specific provisions of the 2006 IFC. Many of these

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proposed modifications make the modified model code consistent with requirements in the current state fire code, *Minnesota Rules*, chapter 7510.

For clarity, the proposed rules have been renumbered as chapter 7511. The numbering of the proposed parts within chapter 7511 is consistent with the numbering of the sections in the 2006 IFC, for ease of reference. Although the renumbering has necessitated the repeal of most of chapter 7510, many provisions in proposed chapter 7511 are comparable to provisions in chapter 7510.

The proposed rules include a number of new requirements, such as new requirements for sprinklers in multi-family dwellings. The proposed part 7511.0903 requirements for sprinklers in multi-family dwellings are less restrictive than the requirements in the 2006 IFC. Proposed part 7511.0903 would amend the 2006 IFC to require an automatic sprinkler system (in accordance with section 903.3.1 of the 2006 IFC) to be provided throughout buildings containing a Group R occupancy where either the combined area on all floors, including mezzanines, exceeds 9,250 square feet, or where the Group R fire area is located more than three stories above grade plane. This requirement would not apply to: (1) Group R-3 single dwelling unit buildings; (2) Group R-3 or R-4 occupancies containing a facility licensed by the state of Minnesota, where the applicable licensing law requires a more restrictive fire suppression system; or (3) attached garages where a dry sprinkler is installed within 5 feet of the door opening between the garage and attached residence.

The authority to adopt the rules is *Minnesota Statutes*, section 299F.011, and Department of Administration Reorganization Order No. 193. Until May 16, 2005, the State Fire Code was adopted and amended by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 299F.011, subdivision 1. By Executive Order effective May 16, 2005 (Department of Administration Reorganization Order No. 193), Governor Pawlenty transferred to the Department of Labor and Industry, in consultation with the State Fire Marshal, the responsibility for carrying out the rulemaking procedures and promulgating a state fire code as set forth in *Minnesota Statutes*, section 299F.011. The reorganization order did not, however, change the responsibility for the administration of the state fire code, which still rests with the Department of Public Safety, Division of Fire Marshal.

Comments. You have until 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 6, 2006, to submit written comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rules or any part or subpart of the rules. Your comment must be in writing and received by the agency contact person by the due date. Comment is encouraged. Your comments should identify the portion of the proposed rules addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed. You are encouraged to propose any change desired. Any comments that you would like to make on the legality of the proposed rules must also be made during this comment period.

Request for a Hearing. In addition to submitting comments, you may also request that a hearing be held on the rules. Your request for a public hearing must be in writing and must be received by the agency contact person by 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 6, 2006. Your written request for a public hearing must include your name and address. You must identify the portion of the proposed rules to which you object or state that you oppose the entire set of rules. Any request that does not comply with these requirements is not valid and cannot be counted by the agency when determining whether a public hearing must be held. You are also encouraged to state the reason for the request and any changes you want made to the proposed rules.

Withdrawal of Requests. If 25 or more persons submit a valid written request for a hearing, a public hearing will be held unless a sufficient number withdraw their requests in writing. If enough requests for hearing are withdrawn to reduce the number below 25, the agency must give written notice of this to all persons who requested a hearing, explain the actions the agency took to effect the withdrawal, and ask for written comments on this action. If a public hearing is required, the agency will follow the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20.

Alternative Format/Accommodation. Upon request, this Notice can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, Braille, or cassette tape. To make such a request or if you need an accommodation to make this hearing accessible, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

Modifications. The proposed rules may be modified, either as a result of public comment or as a result of the rule hearing process. Modifications must be supported by data and views submitted to the agency or presented at the hearing and the adopted rules may not be substantially different than these proposed rules, unless the procedure under *Minnesota Rules*, part 1400.2110, has been followed. If the proposed rules affect you in any way, you are encouraged to participate in the rulemaking process.

Cancellation of Hearing. The hearing scheduled for December 18, 2006, will be canceled if the agency does not receive requests from 25 or more persons that a hearing be held on the rules. If you requested a public hearing, the agency will notify you before the scheduled hearing whether or not the hearing will be held. You may also call the agency contact person at (651) 284-5217 after December 6, 2006, to find out whether the hearing will be held.

Notice of Hearing. If 25 or more persons submit valid written requests for a public hearing on the rules, a hearing will be held following the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20. The hearing will be held on the date and at the time and place listed above. The hearing will continue until all interested persons have been heard. Administrative Law Judge Kathleen D. Sheehy is assigned to conduct the hearing. Judge Sheehy can be reached at the Office of Administrative Hearings, 100 Washington Square, Suite 1700, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401-2138, **telephone:** (612) 341-7602, and **fax:** (612) 349-2665.

Hearing Procedure. If a hearing is held, you and all interested or affected persons, including representatives of associations or other interested groups, will have an opportunity to participate. You may present your views either orally at the hearing or in writing at any time

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before the close of the hearing record. All evidence presented should relate to the proposed rules. You may also submit written material to the Administrative Law Judge to be recorded in the hearing record for five working days after the public hearing ends. This five-day comment period may be extended for a longer period not to exceed 20 calendar days if ordered by the Administrative Law Judge at the hearing. Following the comment period, there is a five-working-day rebuttal period during which the agency and any interested person may respond in writing to any new information submitted. No additional evidence may be submitted during the five-day rebuttal period. All comments and responses submitted to the Administrative Law Judge must be received at the Office of Administrative Hearings no later than 4:30 p.m. on the due date. All comments or responses received will be available for review at the Office of Administrative Hearings. This rule hearing procedure is governed by *Minnesota Rules*, parts 1400.2000 to 1400.2240, and *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20. Questions about procedure may be directed to the Administrative Law Judge.

The agency requests that any person submitting written views or data to the Administrative Law Judge prior to the hearing or during the comment or rebuttal period also submit a copy of the written views or data to the agency contact person at the address stated above.

Statement of Need and Reasonableness. A statement of need and reasonableness is now available from the agency contact person. This statement contains a summary of the justification for the proposed rules, including a description of who will be affected by the proposed rules and an estimate of the probable cost of the proposed rules. The statement may also be reviewed and copies obtained at the cost of reproduction from the agency.

Lobbyist Registration. *Minnesota Statutes*, chapter 10A, requires each lobbyist to register with the State Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board. Questions regarding this requirement may be directed to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board at: Suite 190, Centennial Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, **telephone:** (651) 296-5148 or 1-800-657-3889.

Adoption Procedure if No Hearing. If no hearing is required, the agency may adopt the rules after the end of the comment period. The rules and supporting documents will then be submitted to the Office of Administrative Hearings for review for legality. You may ask to be notified of the date the rules are submitted to the office. If you want to be so notified, or want to receive a copy of the adopted rules, or want to register with the agency to receive notice of future rule proceedings, submit your request to the agency contact person listed above.

Adoption Procedure After a Hearing. If a hearing is held, after the close of the hearing record, the Administrative Law Judge will issue a report on the proposed rules. You may ask to be notified of the date when the Administrative Law Judge's report will become available, and can make this request at the hearing or in writing to the Administrative Law Judge. You may also ask to be notified of the date on which the agency adopts the rules and the rules are filed with the Secretary of State, and can make this request at the hearing or in writing to the agency contact person stated above.

Order. I order that the rulemaking hearing be held at the date, time, and location listed above.

Dated: October 30, 2006

M. Scott Brener, Commissioner Department of Labor and Industry

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.

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Minnesota State Agricultural Society - (STATE FAIR)

Meeting of the Board of Managers November 10, 2006

MINNESOTA STATE FAIRGROUNDS - The Minnesota State Agricultural Society board of managers will meet at 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 10 at the Libby Conference Center on the State Fairgrounds. The Society is the governing body of the Minnesota State Fair. The session opens with a meeting of the board¹s sales committee, followed immediately by a general business meeting of the board. Agendas are available upon request; please phone the Minnesota State Fair at (651) 288-4400.

The 2007 Minnesota State Fair will run Aug. 23 through Labor Day, Sept. 3.

Minnesota Department of Commerce

Minnesota Joint Underwriting Association

Notice of Activation to Insure Specified Classes of Business and Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, section 62I.21, the Minnesota Joint Underwriting Association (MJUA) and the Market Assistance Plan (MAP) are activated to provide assistance to the following classes of business unable to obtain insurance from private insurers:

- · professional and general liability IT Professional
- · light sport aircraft aviation liability

The MJUA and MAP are activated to provide assistance to the above classes of business for a period of 180 days following publication of this notice. A public hearing will be held, for the purpose of determining whether activation should continue beyond 180 days, at the Office of Administrative Hearings, 100 Washington Square, Suite 1700, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55401-2138, on Tuesday, December 26, 2006, at 9:30 a.m. and continuing until all interested persons and groups have had an opportunity to be heard. The hearing shall be governed by *Minnesota Statute* Sections 14.57-14.69 and by *Minnesota Rules* Parts 1400.1500-1400.8400, (1985). Questions regarding the procedure may be directed to Administrative Law Judge Kathleen Sheehy, Office of Administrative Hearings, 100 Washington Square, Suite 1700, Minneapolis, MN 55401-2138, telephone (612) 341-7602. The authority for this proceeding is found in Chapter 62I of *Minnesota Statutes*, specifically sections 62I.21 and 62I.22.

Prior to the hearing a pre-hearing conference will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 12, 2006, at the Office of Administrative Hearings, 100 Washington Square, Suite 1700, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401-2138.

Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 62I, which governs the Minnesota Joint Underwriting Association provides for temporary activation for 180 days by the Commissioner of Commerce. To extend the Minnesota Joint Underwriting Association's authority beyond the 180 day period a hearing must be held. Those classes of business for which the Minnesota Joint Underwriting Association was temporarily activated, by this notice and by previously published notices, must prove, at the hearing, that they meet the statutory requirements for coverage by the Minnesota Joint Underwriting Association.

Among those requirements are:

- (1) That members of those classes are unable to obtain insurance through ordinary means;
- (2) That the insurance being sought is required by statute, ordinance, or otherwise required by law, or is necessary to earn a livelihood or conduct a business; and
- (3) That the classes of business serve a public purpose.

The classes of business specified in this notice and previously published notices must be shown to meet the statutory requirements of the Minnesota Joint Underwriting Association's authority to provide coverage to them will end after 180 days from the date the notice of activation was published in the *State Register*.

Activation of a class of business does not guarantee coverage to any class member. Coverage of individual class members is determined by the Minnesota Joint Underwriting Association on a case by case basis once the class has been activated. The MJUA's address is: Pioneer Post Office Box 1760, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101. Their phone number is (651) 222-0484.

The Department strongly suggests that any persons affected by this hearing or otherwise interested in the proceedings familiarize themselves with the requirements of Chapter 62I and the contested case procedures prior to the hearing, that they take such other steps as are appropriate to protect their interest and that any questions they may have as to how to proceed or how to participate at the hearing be directed to the Administrative Law Judge prior to the hearing.

All interested or affected persons will have an opportunity to participate at the hearing. Questioning of agency representatives or witnesses, and of interested persons making oral statements will be allowed in the manner set forth in the Rules pertaining to contested cases (*Minnesota Rules* parts 1400.1500-1400.8400).

Anyone wishing to oppose activation beyond the 180 days for any particular class, must file a petition to intervene with the administrative law judge at least 10 days before the hearing date. If no notice to intervene is filed for a class, then the class is activated beyond the 180 day period without further action.

Minnesota Statutes chapter 10A requires each lobbyist to register with the State of Ethical Practices Board within five days after he or she commences lobbying. A lobbyist is defined in *Minnesota Statute* Section 10A.01, subdivision 11 as an individual:

- (a) Engaged for pay or other consideration, or authorized by another individual or association to spend money, who spends more than five hours in any month or more than \$250, not including travel expenses and membership dues, in any year, for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action by communicating or urging others to communicate with public officials; or
- (b) Who spends more than \$250, not including travel expenses and membership dues, in any year, for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action by communicating or urging others to communicate with public officials.

The statute provides certain exceptions. Questions should be directed to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board, 190 Centennial Office Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN 55155, telephone (651) 296-5148.

Dated: October 26, 2006

Department of Human Services

Health Care Purchasing and Delivery Systems Division Health Care Administration

Public Notice of Maximum Allowable Costs of Medical Assistance Outpatient Prescribed Drugs

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to recipients, providers of services, and to the public of additions to the state Medical Assistance maximum allowable cost (state MAC) list for certain outpatient prescribed drugs.

At least once each calendar year, the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, publishes a federal upper limit (FUL) payment schedule for many commonly prescribed multiple-source drugs. The federal upper limit is set at a rate equal to 150 percent of the published price for the least costly therapeutic equivalent that can be purchased by pharmacists. This FUL payment schedule constitutes the federal MAC list. For many multiple-source drugs that are not on the federal MAC list, the Department establishes a state MAC list. Additionally, the Department imposes a state MAC for many multiple-source drugs that are on the federal MAC list, as long as the savings are at least as much as the savings would be using the federal MAC list.

The Department requires Medical Assistance pharmacy providers to submit their usual and customary costs. Pharmacy providers are reimbursed at the lower of: 1) the federal or state MAC, plus a dispensing fee; 2) the submitted usual and customary charge to the general public; or 3) a discount off of average wholesale price, plus a dispensing fee.

On January 13, 2003 at 27 SR 1117-1130, the Department published the MAC list, listing the federal and state MACs. Additional changes to the state MAC list were published on February 18, 2003 (27 SR 1331-1334), March 3, 2003 (27 SR 1386-1393), April 21, 2003 (27 SR 1583-1584), August 4, 2003 (28 SR 102-103), October 13, 2003 (28 SR 505-506), October 20, 2003 (28 SR 528-529), December 15, 2003 (28 SR 784-785), January 26, 2004 (28 SR 934-935), March 8, 2004 (28 SR 1089-1090), April 5, 2004 (28 SR 1232), April 19, 2004 (28 SR 1313-1314), May 3, 2004 (28 SR 1367-1368), August 9, 2004 (29 SR 173), August 23, 2004 (29 SR 224-225), November 8, 2004 (29 SR 510), November 15, 2004 (29 SR 534-535), February 7, 2005 (29 SR 923-924), February 14, 2005 (29 SR 951-952), March 7, 2005 (29 SR 1038-1039), April 11, 2005 (29 SR 1174-1175), June 27, 2005 (29 SR 1607), July 18, 2005 (30 SR 49-50), August 15, 2005 (30 SR 147), August 29, 2005 (30 SR 226-227), October 17, 2005 (30 SR 402-403), November 14, 2005 (30 SR 511-512), December 12, 2005 (30 SR 617-618), January 9, 2006 (30 SR 770-771), January 30, 2006 (30 SR 833), February 13, 2006 (30 SR 884), February 27, 2006 (30 SR 926-927) March 20, 2006 (30 SR 1006-1007), April 10, 2006 (30 SR 1109), May 30, 2006 (30 SR 1249-1250), July 31, 2006 (31 SR 138-139), August 21, 2006 (31 SR 268), September 18, 2006 (31 SR 380 - 381), October 2, 2006 (31 SR 474-477) and October 16. 2006 (31 SR 519-520).

Effective November 7, 2006 the Department will add the following outpatient prescribed drugs to the state MAC list:

<u>GCN</u>	Drug Name	<u>Strength</u>	MAC Price
17423	ALPRAZOLAM	0.5MG	0.758
17424	ALPRAZOLAM	1MG	0.940
17425	ALPRAZOLAM	2MG	1.160
19681	ALPRAZOLAM	3MG	1.770
37280	BULK CHEMICAL		.021
52130	SORBITOL SOLUTION/SACCHARIN		.019
37383	CARBOXYMETHYCELLULOSE SOD 1%		.271
22811	SALICYLIC ACID 17%		.360
40410	MINOCYCLINE HCL	100MG	.400
40411	MINOCYCLINE HCL	50MG	.270
7400	MULTVITAMINS/ZINC SULFATE		.139

These additions are made to bring Medical Assistance reimbursement to pharmacists more closely in line with the actual acquisition cost of the drugs listed above. The Department estimates that there will be a state savings of \$ 68,000 for State Fiscal Year 2006 (July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007).

This notice is published pursuant to *Code of Federal Regulations*, Title 42, section 447.205, which requires publication of a notice when there is a rate change in the methods and standards for setting payment rates for Medical Assistance services.

Written comments and requests for information may be sent to Kristin Young, Pharmacy and Program Manager, Health Care Purchasing and Delivery Systems Division, Health Care Administration, Minnesota Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 64984, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0984; **phone:** (651) 431-2504 or **email:** *kristen.c.young@state.mn.us*

Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry Construction Codes and Licensing Division

Request for Comments on Possible Amendment to Rules Governing the Minnesota State Mechanical and Fuel Gas Codes, *Minnesota Rules*, chapter 1346

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Construction Codes and Licensing Division, requests comments on its possible amendment to rules governing the mechanical and fuel gas codes. The 2000 International Mechanical Code and International Fuel Gas Codes have been incorporated by reference, with amendments, into Minnesota's Mechanical and Fuel Gas Codes. The Department is considering rule amendments that will update and revise current rules to incorporate the latest version of the international model codes, which are the 2006 International Mechanical Code and the 2006 International Fuel Gas Code, and making amendments to these international codes where necessary to clarify provisions, address editorial corrections, and to coordinate the rules with the other chapters of the Minnesota Building Code and the model code documents.

Persons Affected. The amendment to the rules would likely affect municipal building inspection department personnel, building contractors, architects, professional engineers, fire inspection personnel, mechanical contractors, mechanical system manufacturers and suppliers, system designers and installers, pre-engineered building and material manufacturers and suppliers, and the general public.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 16B.59, 16B.61, and 16B.64, authorizes the Department to adopt and amend rules governing the adoption of the Mechanical and the Fuel Gas Codes.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 5, 2007. The Department does not contemplate appointing an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules.

Rules Drafts. The Department does not anticipate that a draft of the rule 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 possible rules should be directed to: Ms. Carrie Rohling, Department of Labor and Industry, Third Floor, 443 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, MN 55155, phone: (651) 284-5217, or FAX: (651) 284-5725. TTY users may call the Department at (651) 297-4198.

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 if and 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. If you submitted comments during the development of the rules and you want to ensure that the Administrative Law Judge reviews the comments, you should resubmit the comments after the rules are formally proposed.

Dated: October 26, 2006

M. Scott Brener, Commissioner Department of Labor and Industry

Metropolitan Council

Public Hearing on the Orono Area Componentsof the Lake Minnetonka Area Regional Interceptor Improvements Project Facility Plan

> Orono City Hall 2750 Kelley Parkway Orono, Minnesota Thursday, December 7, 2006 7:00 p.m.

The Metropolitan Council will hold a public hearing to accept comments on the Orono Area Components of its Lake Minnetonka Area Regional Interceptor Improvements Project Facility Plan. The Draft Facility Plan for this project, prepared by the Metropolitan Council's Environmental Services Division (MCES), outlines alternatives studied and the resulting recommendations for improving the regional sanitary sewer system in Orono. The recommendations include:

• Combining the function of two pumping stations (one located at Togo Road and Shadywood Road, and one located at Shadywood Road and Crystal Lake Road) into one new station at a location to be determined.

 Construction of a new gravity-flow sewer on Shadywood Road in the area bounded by Togo Road on the west and Crystal Bay Road on the east.

The recommended improvements would meet the long-term wastewater service needs of area communities served by these facilities. Construction of the facilities would be scheduled for 2010-2012.

Copies of the Draft Facility Plan for the Lake Minnetonka Area Regional Interceptor Improvements Project, describing the Orono Area components, are available for review at:

- · Orono City Hall, 2750 Kelley Parkway, Orono
- · Long Lake Library, 1865 Wayzata Boulevard, Long Lake
- · Metropolitan Council's Data Center, 390 Robert Street North, St. Paul

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the hearing and provide comments. You also may submit comments, which must be **received** by the Metropolitan Council no later than December 18, 2006:

- Send written comments to: Tim O'Donnell at Metropolitan Council Environmental Services, 390 Robert Street North, St. Paul, MN 55101-1805
- · Fax comments to: Tim O'Donnell at (651) 602-1477
- · Record comments on: Metropolitan Council Public Comment Line at (651) 602-1500
- E-mail comments to: *data.center@metc.state.mn.us*
- · Send TTY comments to (651) 291-0904

Upon request, the Council will provide reasonable accommodations to persons with disabilities. Please submit such requests to Tim O'Donnell via mail or fax (see above) or by phone at 651-602-1269 before November 30, 2006.

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Division of Waters

Request for Comments on Possible Amendment to Rules Governing the Management of the Mississippi Wild and Scenic River from St. Cloud to Anoka, *Minnesota Rules*, 6105.0800 to 6105.0960

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) requests comments on possible amendment to rules governing management of the Mississippi River from St. Cloud to Anoka. The section of the Mississippi River from St. Cloud to Anoka was originally designated as a scenic and recreational river in 1976, pursuant to the Minnesota Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. The existing rules identify the district boundary, minimum lot sizes, types of development, setbacks, and other activities in order to protect the special scenic and recreational qualities of the river.

A community-based planning effort began in 1998 to review and revise the management options for the river. The rule revision proposes concepts identified in the revised management plan that was completed in 2004. Potential rule revisions include amendments to the district boundary, establishment of new land use districts within the overall district, and changes to specific portions of the recreation and land management component of the rules. The DNR expects the proposed rule amendments will give river cities greater flexibility for managing population growth within the river district.

Persons Affected. The amendment to the rules would likely affect anyone who propose to develop property within the district from St. Cloud to Anoka. Individuals that recreate in this section of the river may also be affected. Cities and counties that have jurisdiction within the district would required to amend their local ordinances to implement the amended rules.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 103F.321, subdivision 1 authorizes the DNR to adopt rules for management and administration of the wild and scenic river system. The statute states, "The commissioner shall administer the wild and scenic rivers system. The commissioner shall conduct studies, develop criteria for classification and designation of rivers, designate rivers for inclusion in the system, manage the components of the system, and adopt rules to manage and administer the system."

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing or orally until 4:30 p.m. on January 12, 2007.

Rules Drafts. The DNR has prepared a description of the proposed amendments as well as a draft of the possible rules amendments that are available on the DNR website at *www.dnr.state.mn.us/input/index.html* or by contacting the agency contact person below.

Agency Contact Person. Written or oral comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules, and requests for more

information on these possible rule amendments should be directed to:

Rebecca Wooden Department of Natural Resources 500 Lafayette Road, Box 32 St. Paul, MN 55155-4032 **Telephone:** (651) 259-5717 **E-mail:** *rebecca.wooden@dnr.state.mn.us* **TTY** users may call the Department at (651) 296-5484.

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 if and 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. If you submitted comments during the development of the rules and you want to ensure that the Administrative Law Judge reviews the comments, you should resubmit the comments after the rules are formally proposed.

Dated: October 30, 2006

Gene Merriam, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Regional Division Notice of Availability of Draft Carver, Bevens and Silver Creeks Total Maximum Daily Load Project Report and Request for Comment Public comment period begins: November 6, 2006 Public comment period ends: December 6, 2006

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is requesting comments on the draft report for the Carver, Bevens and Silver Creek Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Project. Carver, Bevens and Silver Creeks are located in Carver County, southwest of the Twin Cities Metropolitan area.

The Carver, Bevens and Silver Creeks area is designated for use as recreational water, including primary contact activities such as swimming and boating. Water quality analysis conducted in Carver, Bevens and Silver Creeks indicates that fecal coliform levels in these waters violate state standards. Fecal coliform bacteria come from the intestines of warm-blooded animals. If fecal coliform bacteria are present, disease-causing organisms may be as well.

The draft TMDL Report identifies the nature of the fecal coliform bacteria problem, defines contributing sources, presents reductions and discuss as strategies proposed to achieve the target levels of fecal coliform bacteria. The main sources of fecal coliform bacteria in the Carver, Bevens, and Silver Creeks project area include failing septic systems during dry conditions and manure application during wet conditions. Runoff from feedlots and overgrazed pastures also contributes to fecal coliform loads. The TMDL recommends the following seasonal goals for reduction of fecal coliform in the Carver, Bevens, and Silver Creek project area: spring – 55 percent -93 percent, summer 56 percent -90 percent, and fall 85 percent -91 percent.

Implementation strategies in the draft TMDL Report will be used to guide future bacteria reduction efforts. Implementation strategies are largely directed at manure management and failing septic systems since they are considered major contributing sources. However, all contributing sources will be considered.

Preliminary Determination on the Draft TMDL Report: The MPCA Commissioner has made a preliminary determination to submit this draft TMDL Report to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for final approval. A draft TMDL Report and fact sheet are available for review at the MPCA office at the address listed below and at the MPCA Web site:

http://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/tmdl/index.html

Written Comments: You may submit written comments on the draft TMDL Report or on the MPCA Commissioner's preliminary determination. Written comments must include the following:

1. A statement of your interest in the draft TMDL Report;

2. A statement of the action you wish the MPCA to take, including specific references to sections of the draft TMDL Report that

you believe should be changed; and

3. The reasons supporting your position, stated with sufficient specificity as to allow the MPCA Commissioner to investigate the merits of your position.

Written comments on the draft TMDL Report must be sent to the MPCA contact person listed below and received by 4:30 p.m. on December 6, 2006. The MPCA will prepare responses to comments received, make any necessary revisions of the draft TMDL Report and submit it to the EPA for approval.

Agency Contact Person: Written comments and requests for more information should be directed to:

Roger Ramthun Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road St. Paul, Minnesota 55155 Phone: (651) 296-9262 (direct) MN Toll Free: 1-800-657-3864 Fax: (651) 297-8676 E-mail: roger.ramthun@pca.state.mn.us TTY users may call the MPCA teletypewriter at (651) 282-5332 or 1-800 657-3864.

Petition for Public Informational Meeting: You may request that the MPCA Commissioner hold a public informational meeting. A public informational meeting is an informal meeting that the MPCA may hold to solicit public comment and statements on matters before the MPCA, and to help clarify and resolve issues.

Petition for Contested Case Hearing: You also may submit a petition for a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a formal evidentiary hearing before an administrative law judge. In accordance with *Minnesota Rules* 7000.1900, the MPCA will grant a petition to hold a contested case hearing if it finds that: 1) there is a material issue of fact in dispute concerning the draft TMDL Report; 2) the MPCA has the jurisdiction to make a determination on the disputed material issue of fact; and 3) there is a reasonable basis underlying the disputed material issue of fact or facts such that the holding of the contested case hearing would allow the introduction of information that would aid the MPCA in resolving the disputed facts in making a final decision on the draft TMDL Report. A material issue of fact means a fact question, as distinguished from a policy question, whose resolution could have a direct bearing on a final MPCA decision.

A petition for a contested case hearing must include the following information:

- 1. A statement of reasons or proposed findings supporting an MPCA decision to hold a contested case hearing according to the criteria in *Minnesota Rules* 7000.1900, as discussed above; and
- 2. A statement of the issues to be addressed by a contested case hearing and the specific relief requested or resolution of the matter.

In addition and to the extent known, a petition for a contested case hearing should also include the following information:

- 1. A proposed list of prospective witnesses to be called, including experts, with a brief description of proposed testimony or summary of evidence to be presented at a contested case hearing;
- 2. A proposed list of publications, references, or studies to be introduced and relied upon at a contested case hearing; and
- 3. An estimate of time required for you to present the matter at a contested case hearing.

Decision by MPCA Citizens' Board: You may also submit a petition to the Commissioner requesting that the MPCA Citizens' Board consider the TMDL Report approval. To be considered timely, the petition must be received by the MPCA by 4:30 p.m. on the date the public comment period ends, identified on page 1 of this notice. Pursuant to *Minnesota Statute* § 116.02 subd 6(4), the decision whether to submit the TMDL Report and, if so, under what terms, will be presented to the Board for decision if: (1) the Commissioner grants the petition requesting the matter be presented to the Board; (2) one or more Board members request to hear the matter before the time the Commissioner makes a final decision on the TMDL Report; or (3) a timely request for a contested case hearing is pending. You may participate in the activities of the MPCA Board as provided in *Minnesota Rules* 7000.0650.

The written comment, requests, and petitions submitted on or before the last day of the comment period will be considered in the final decision on this TMDL Report. If the MPCA does not receive written comments, requests, or petitions during the public comment period, MPCA staff, as authorized by the Board, will make the final decision on the draft TMDL Report.

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Regional Division

Notice of Availability of Draft Report Fecal Coliform Total Maximum Daily Load Assessment for 21 Impaired Streams in the Blue Earth River Basin and Request for Comment

Public comment period begins: November 6, 2006 Public comment period end: December 6, 2006

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is requesting comments on the draft Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) report, Fecal Coliform TMDL Assessment for 21 Impaired Streams in the Blue Earth River Basin. The recreational use of these streams is impaired because they do not meet state water quality standards for fecal coliform bacteria.

The Blue Earth River Basin (BERB) is located across portions of 14 counties in south-central Minnesota and Northern Iowa. The basin includes three major watersheds; the Blue Earth, Le Sueur and Watonwan. The BERB contains 17 stream segments or reaches that are listed as impaired under section 303(d) of the Federal Clean Water Act. The listings are based on violations of Minnesota's water quality standard for fecal coliform bacteria, which indicates that these waters are not suitable for swimming and other body-contact recreation. Water testing and data analysis indicated that four additional stream reaches are likely to be included on the 2008 303(d) list for violations of this standard. All 21 reaches are addressed in a single TMDL report.

An assessment of fecal coliform sources in the BERB was completed for the TMDL report. Sources include wastewater treatment facilities, rural household septic systems, livestock, wildlife and pets.

Land-applied manure and inadequately functioning septic systems appear to be the primary sources of fecal coliform contamination based on source inventory assessments and water quality testing. It is important to note that most livestock manure is used appropriately as an agricultural fertilizer and soil amendment. However, the sheer volume of manure produced in the BERB means that even the runoff of a very small percentage of what is applied may contaminate surface waters. An estimated 39 percent of individual sewage treatment systems in the BERB are allowing inadequately treated wastewater into waterways. This equates to about 5,500 individual sewage treatment systems. Direct discharge of sewage to waterways during low flow periods can be a major contributor of fecal coliform bacteria contamination.

In the streams and rivers of the BERB, fecal coliform levels are typically highest in the months of June, July and August, and during periods of higher water. In order to fully comply with required water quality standards, most of the impaired stream reaches in the BERB will require reductions in the 80-90 percent range. Implementation strategies in the draft TMDL report will be used to guide future bacteria reduction efforts. Upon approval of the TMDL report by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), a detailed implementation plan will be developed to more specifically identify measures needed to achieve the required reductions.

Preliminary Determination on the Draft TMDL Report: The MPCA Commissioner has made a preliminary determination to submit this draft TMDL report to the EPA for final approval. A draft TMDL report and fact sheet are available for review at the MPCA office at the address listed below and at the MPCA Web site:

http://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/tmdl/index.html.

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- 2. A statement of the action you wish the MPCA to take, including specific references to sections of the draft TMDL report that you believe should be changed; and
- The reasons supporting your position, stated with sufficient specificity as to allow the MPCA Commissioner to investigate the merits of your position.

Written comments on the draft TMDL report must be sent to the MPCA contact person listed below and received by 4:30 p.m. on November 6, 2006. The MPCA will prepare responses to comments received, make any necessary revisions of the draft TMDL report and submit it to the EPA for approval.

Agency Contact Person: Written comments and requests for more information should be directed to:

Lee Ganske Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 18 Wood Lake Drive SE Rochester, MN 55904

 Phone: (507) 281-7765 (direct)

 MN Toll Free: 1-800-657-3864

 Fax: (507) 280-5513

 E-mail: lee.gansk e@pca.state.mn.us

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The written comments, requests, and petitions submitted on or before the last day of the comment period will be considered in the final decision on this TMDL report. If the MPCA does not receive written comments, requests, or petitions during the public comment period, MPCA staff, as authorized by the Board, will make the final decision on the draft TMDL report.

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Regional Division

Notice of Availability of Draft Report Total Maximum Daily Load Evaluation of Turbidity Impairments in the Lower Cannon River Watershed and Request for Comment

Public comment period begins: November 6, 2006 Public comment period end: December 6, 2006

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is requesting comments on the draft Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) report Total Maximum Daily Load Evaluation of Turbidity Impairments in the Lower Cannon River Watershed. The Lower Cannon River, from the Lake Byllesby Dam near Cannon Falls to its confluence with the Vermillion and Mississippi Rivers near Red Wing includes two reaches, or segments, that are listed as impaired under Section 303(d) of the Federal Clean Water Act. The reaches include the segment between the Pine Creek and Belle Creek tributaries, as well as a short stretch at the mouth. The impairment is due to violations of state water quality standards for turbidity.

Excessive turbidity, or cloudiness in water, is typically caused by soil, algae, or other substances suspended in the water column.

Moderate to high levels of turbidity interfere with the ability of some aquatic life to navigate and feed. The sedimentation often associated with turbidity degrades aquatic habitat. High turbidity for sustained periods may have toxic effects on aquatic life. In addition to the impacts on fish and other water animals, recreational users find turbid waters less desirable.

Sources of turbidity include uncontrolled soil erosion and runoff from farm fields, construction sites, and cities. Erosion of stream channel banks and bed may contribute additional turbidity-causing sediments. Algal material, which occurs naturally in lakes and steams but sometimes becomes excessive due to elevated phosphorus levels, also adds to turbidity.

Reductions in total suspended solids (TSS) loads necessary to meet the turbidity water quality standard have been estimated at up to 49 percent and 82 percent, respectively, for the Pine-Belle reach and the confluence reach. The largest reductions are generally required during periods of when watershed runoff and flows in the Cannon River are high.

Implementation strategies in the draft TMDL report will be used to guide future turbidity reduction efforts. Upon approval of the TMDL report by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), a detailed implementation plan will be developed to more specifically identify measures needed to achieve the required reductions.

Preliminary Determination on the Draft TMDL Report: The MPCA Commissioner has made a preliminary determination to submit this draft TMDL report to the EPA for final approval. A draft TMDL report and fact sheet are available for review at the MPCA office at the address listed below and at the MPCA Web site:

http://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/tmdl/index.html

Written Comments: You may submit written comments on the draft TMDL report or on the MPCA Commissioner's preliminary determination. Written comments must include the following:

1. A statement of your interest in the draft TMDL report;

- 2. A statement of the action you wish the MPCA to take, including specific references to sections of the draft TMDL report that you believe should be changed; and
- 3. The reasons supporting your position, stated with sufficient specificity as to allow the MPCA Commissioner to investigate the merits of your position.

Written comments on the draft TMDL report must be sent to the MPCA contact person listed below and received by 4:30 p.m. on December 6, 2006.

The MPCA will prepare responses to comments received, make any necessary revisions of the draft TMDL report and submit it to the (EPA) for approval.

Agency Contact Person: Written comments and requests for more information should be directed to:

Lee Ganske Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 18 Wood Lake Drive SE Rochester, MN 55904 Phone: (507) 281-7765 (direct) MN Toll Free: 1-800-657-3864 Fax: (507) 280-5513 E-mail: *lee.ganske@pca.state.mn.us* TTY users may call the MPCA teletypewriter at (651) 282-5332 or 1-800-657-3864

Petition for Contested Case Hearing: You also may submit a petition for a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a formal evidentiary hearing before an administrative law judge. In accordance with Minnesota Rules 7000.1900, the MPCA will grant a petition to hold a contested case hearing if it finds that: 1) there is a material issue of fact in dispute concerning the draft TMDL report; 2) the MPCA has the jurisdiction to make a determination on the disputed material issue of fact; and 3) there is a reasonable basis underlying the disputed material issue of fact or facts such that the holding of the contested case hearing would allow the introduction of information that would aid the MPCA in resolving the disputed facts in making a final decision on the draft TMDL report. A material issue of fact means a fact question, as distinguished from a policy question, whose resolution could have a direct bearing on a final MPCA decision.

A petition for a contested case hearing must include the following information:

- 1. A statement of reasons or proposed findings supporting an MPCA decision to hold a contested case hearing according to the criteria in *Minnesota Rules* 7000.1900, as discussed above; and
- 2. A statement of the issues to be addressed by a contested case hearing and the specific relief requested or resolution of the matter.

In addition and to the extent known, a petition for a contested case hearing should also include the following information:

- 1. A proposed list of prospective witnesses to be called, including experts, with a brief description of proposed testimony or summary of evidence to be presented at a contested case hearing;
- 2. A proposed list of publications, references, or studies to be introduced and relied upon at a contested case hearing; and
- 3. An estimate of time required for you to present the matter at a contested case hearing.

Decision by MPCA Citizens' Board: You may also submit a petition to the Commissioner requesting that the MPCA Citizens Board consider the TMDL report approval. To be considered timely, the petition must be received by the MPCA by 4:30 p.m. on the date the public comment period ends, identified on page 1 of this notice. Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* § 116.02 subd 6(4), the decision whether to submit the TMDL report and, if so, under what terms, will be presented to the Board for decision if: (1) the Commissioner grants the petition requesting the matter be presented to the Board; (2) one or more Board members request to hear the matter before the time the Commissioner makes a final decision on the TMDL Report; or (3) a timely request for a contested case hearing is pending. You may participate in the activities of the MPCA Board as provided in *Minnesota Rules* 7000.0650.

The written comment, requests, and petitions submitted on or before the last day of the comment period will be considered in the final decision on this TMDL report. If the MPCA does not receive written comments, requests, or petitions during the public comment period, MPCA staff, as authorized by the Board, will make the final decision on the draft TMDL report.

Public Employees Retirement Association

NOTICE OF MEETING of the Board of Trustees November 9, 2006

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) will be held on Thursday, November 9, 2006, at 9:30 a.m., in the PERA offices, 60 Empire Drive, Room 117, Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Department of Public Safety Bureau of Criminal Apprehension - CriMNet Request for comments on Proposed Technical Standards, Specifically the Minnesota Criminal Justice Event Schema

The Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, CriMNet Program, seeks feedback on proposed technical standards, specifically the Minnesota Criminal Justice Event Schema. To view the materials and participate in the current vetting session, log on to https://cjir.crimnet.state.mn.us/

click on "Items Currently Being Vetted" and page down to "MCJE_C2C: Minnesota Criminal Justice Event schema." Also note: the Minnesota Criminal Justice Statute Service will no longer provide the Microsoft Access version of the Statute Table as of Feb. 28, 2007. For more information, contact the CriMNet Program at (651) 793-2726 or *crimnet.support@state.mn.us*.

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 eell as sufficient time for interested parties to respond.

Department of Administration Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities Notice of Cosponsorship Funds for Leadership Training Conferences

The notice appearing in the Monday, October 30, 2006 edition of the *State Register* on Page 591 listed an incorrect email address. The correct email address is *admin.dd@state.mn.us*.

Department of Adminsitration Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities Notice of Request for Proposals for Self Advocacy

The notice appearing in the Monday, October 30, 2006 edition of the *State Register* on Page 592 listed an incorrect email address. The correct email address is *admin.dd@state.mn.us*.

Minnesota Department of Health Office of Rural Health & Primary Care Request for Proposal for an Evaluation of the Health Professions Loan Forgiveness Program

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), Office of Rural Health & Primary Care will receive proposals to conduct an evaluation study of the Health Professions Student Loan Forgiveness Program administered by the Department.

Background/Purpose

The Office of Rural Health & Primary Care is responsible for the administration of a loan forgiveness program for six healthcare occupations. In 1990, the Minnesota Legislature began funding a loan forgiveness program to recruit physicians to practice in rural Minnesota. In 1993, the program was expanded to include midlevel practitioners and nurses. In 2001 the program was further expended to include dentists and in 2005 pharmacists and healthcare professions faculty. The need exists after fifteen years of program operation to evaluate the program. It is the goal of this proposed study to identify the effect of the program on the delivery of healthcare in Minnesota. Is the program effective in meeting the intended legislative purpose? Are any significant changes needed in the design or administration of the program, as a whole, or by profession?

MDH estimates that total cost of this evaluation will not exceed \$45,000. Work is proposed to begin after November 30, 2006 with a preliminary report to be completed by March 1, 2007.

Questions concerning this solicitation should be directed to: Doug Benson, Supervisor, Office of Rural Health, Minnesota Department of Health, 85 E. 7th Place, Suite 220, St. Paul, MN 55101; e-mail: *doug.benson@health.state.mn.us*; telephone: (651) 201-3842.

Proposals submitted in response to this Request must be received at the address above no later than 4:00 p.m., Central Time, Nov. 17, 2006. It is anticipated that the selection will be completed by November 30, 2006. All responses received by the due date and time will be evaluated. Late proposals will not be considered. Fax and e-mail responses will not be considered.

This request does not obligate the State to complete work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All costs incurred in responding to this RFP will be borne by the responder.

State Grants & Loans —

Minnesota Department of Human Services

Continuing Care Administration

CORRECTION TO: Request for Proposals to Provide Education and Training for Quality of Life for Minnesota Nursing Home Residents

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Human Services is requesting proposals from qualified parties interested in providing a program of education and training related to Qualify of Life for Minnesota Nursing Home residents.

The Department has proposed awarding up to three (3) grants of no more than \$ 40,000, for the purposes of providing a program of education and training related to the Quality of Life and/or Quality of Care for residents of Minnesota Nursing Homes. Proposed projects must meet all guidelines outlined in the RFP, be newly developed and instituted, and seek to measure and encourage meaningful positive changes in the Quality of Life for Minnesota Nursing Home residents

A bidder's conference will be held at The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) Elmer Andersen Building, 540 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN., on Thursday November 9, 2006, from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., in room 2222.

The Request for Proposal (RFP) can be obtained from:

Munna Yasiri State Programs Administrator Director Department of Human Services Continuing Care Administration 444 Lafayette Road North P.O. Box 64973 St. Paul, MN 551640973 Phone: (651) 431-2264 E-mail: munna.yasiri@state.mn.us

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this notice **must be received at the address above no later than** 4:00 p.m., Central Time, Monday November 20, 2006. Late proposals will not be considered. E-mailed or faxed proposals 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.

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Municipal Division

Notice of Intent Request for Proposals for the Burn Barrel Reduction Campaign Grant

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: The Burn Barrel Reduction Campaign Grant (Grant) Program is a competitive application process to identify and assist projects that will be most beneficial in meeting the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's (MPCA) mission of working with Minnesotans to protect, conserve, and improve Minnesota's air, land and water resources.

This Grant Program will also serve to meet the Minnesota Department of Natural Resource's (DNR) mission to reduce the number of wildfires that are caused due to debris burning. The pollution created from backyard garbage burning (burn barrels, fire-pits, stoves, heaters, etc.) poses significant health and environmental dangers to Minnesotans. In addition, over 40 percent of all wildfires in Minnesota are caused by careless debris burning such as backyard garbage burning. Therefore, projects that are developed to significantly reduce the amount of burn barrels and backyard garbage burning in Minnesota, will significantly reduce the amount of pollution and wildfire threats that are associated with this practice. Specifically, these grants will focus on projects that reduce the practice of backyard garbage burning through education, infrastructure development, enforcement, and incentive programs. This Grant Program aims to encourage the use of local sanitation facilities in place of burn barrels and backyard garbage burning to dispose of garbage safely and to increase recycling and composting. Approximately \$150,000 is available for award during this Grant Cycle.

A complete Request for Proposal (RFP) describing the requirements necessary for the contract has been prepared. Requests for the complete RFP document should be directed to:

Martina Cameron Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North

State Register, Monday 6 November 2006

St. Paul, Minnesota 55155 **Telephone:** (651) 296-7755 (Voice) **Fax:** (651) 297-7709 **E-mail:** martina.cameron@pca.state.mn.us

Questions: Questions concerning this RFP should be directed to Martina Cameron, *martina.cameron@pca.state.mn.us*, (651) 296-7755.

Proposals Due: December 8, 2006, 10:00 a.m. central standard time. Proposals received after this deadline will not be eligible for further consideration this funding round.

Execution of Grant Agreement: Must enter into a binding grant agreement no later than February 15, 2007. Projects should be completed by June 30, 2008; however, projects that require longer timeframes (through June 30, 2009) will be considered.

Dated: November 7, 2006

Brad Moore, Acting Commissioner Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

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* for informal solicitation announcements.

Formal Solicitations: Department of Administration procedures require that formal soliciations (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.

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Department of Administration

Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Designer Selection for Vocational Building Renovation – MCF Redwing

State Designer Selection Board Project No. 06-16

The State of Minnesota, Department of Administration through the State Designer Selection Board is soliciting proposals from interested, qualified consultants for architectural and engineering design services for the above referenced project.

A full Request for Proposals is available on the State Architect's Office website: www.admin.sao.state.mn.us , click on "Solicitation

Announcements", and then on the RFP.

A copy of the pre-design is also available for review at www.admin.sao.state.mn.us, click on "Solicitation Announcements", and then on the RFP.

A mandatory informational meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, November 16, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at MCF Redwing. All firms interested in attending this meeting must contact Mr. Steven Prall, Physical Plant Director at (612) 267-3700 no later than 4:00 p.m. Monday November 13, 2006 with the names, dates of birth and drivers' license numbers of the people attending and request for possession of a camera if desired. Failure to pre-register will result in no admittance to the facility.

Proposals must be delivered to Mary Golike, Executive Secretary, State Designer Selection Board, 301 Centennial Office Building in the State Architect's Office, 658 Cedar St., St. Paul, MN 55115-1625 (651) 201-2372 not later than 1:00 P.M., November 27, 2006. Late responses will not be considered.

The State of Minnesota is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Designer Selection for the Courtyard Remodel Project at Anoka Ramsey Community College, Coon Rapids, MN

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, on behalf of Anoka Ramsey Community College, is soliciting proposals from interested, qualified consultants for architectural and engineering design services for the above referenced project.

A full Request for Proposals is available on the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities website: *www.facilities.mnscu.edu*, click on "Solicitation Announcements."

An informational meeting is tentatively scheduled for 2:00 PM, November 8, 2006 in Riverview Room, SC200 of the Student Center Building, at Anoka Ramsey Community College, 11200 Mississippi Boulevard, Coon Rapids, MN 55433. All firms interested in this meeting should contact Louise Duff, (763) 433-1469 or *louise.duff@anokaramsey.edu*, to sign up for the meeting.

Proposals must be delivered to Vikki Green, at Anoka Ramsey Community College, not later than 1:00 P.M., Monday, November 20, 2006. Late responses will not be considered.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in it's best interest.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

Lake Superior College

Request for Proposal for Owner's Representative for Design and / or Construction of the Health and Science Center Addition

Response to This Solicitation is Due no later than:	December 05, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.	
Pre-Proposal Meeting Date:	November 21, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. Not mandatory	
Meeting Details:	An informational meeting is tentatively scheduled for 1:00 p.m. November W2850, Lake Superior College, 2101 Trinity Road, Duluth, MN 55811. <i>A</i> this meeting shoul dcontact Gary Adams at (218) 733-2005 or <i>g.adams@l</i> attend.	All firms interested in
Contact Person:	Gary Adams, Engineer, (218) 733-2005	
Location of Work:	Lake Superior College, Duluth, Minnesota	
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Description:	The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to evaluate and select an Owner's Represen- tative (OR) to assist the Owner in the performance of its obligations and enforcement of its rights during the design and/or construction of the Health and Science Center Addition located at Lake Superior College, Duluth, Minnesota. The Owner's Representative shall work with the Owner's appointed Project Manager, the Owner's Office of the Chancellor Facilities Unit, the Architect/ Engineer (A/E) design team, related consultants and the construction contractors(s) to administer the design and/or construction contracts on behalf of the Owner to assure that the Project is designed and constructed in accordance with the MnSCU Design Standards and the Contract Documents and that the Project is completed on schedule, on budget and to a level of quality commensurate with the Onwer's requirements.
Proposals shall be sent to:	Gary ASdams, Engineer 2101 Trinity Road Duluth, MN 55811

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Normandale Community College Building Services Department

Notice of Intent to Solicit Bid for Information Technology Services Remodeling

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Normandale Community College is requesting bids for interior remodeling with HVAC and electrical upgrades to approximately 4,500 square feet of existing space. Work includes adding aluminum windows in existing masonry and brick veneer walls.

Estimated amount of bid is Two Hundred, Fifty Thousand no/100 Dollars (\$250,000) to Three Hundred Thousand and no/100 Dollars (\$300,000.) This bid does not obligate Normandale Community College to spend the estimated dollar amount.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. November 13, 2006, in Room B1611, Normandale Community College, 9700 France Avenue South, Bloomington, Minnesota. The Architect/Engineer and Owner Representatives will review the bidding procedures, bidding documents and other conditions with interested bidders and answer questions.

Bid forms, contract documents, drawings and specifications as prepared by the project Architect/Engineer are on file at the offices of: LHB. Inc.

250 Third Avenue North, Suite 450 Minneapolis, MN 55401 (612) 338-2029 Fax: (612) 338-2088

Bids must be presented by Tuesday, November 21, 2006 by 2:00 p.m. at which time bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. Send sealed bids to:

Michael Koreen, Physical Plant Director Normandale Community College – B1605 9700 France Avenue South Bloomington, MN 55431

Department of Human Services

Children and Family Services

Notice of Extension to Submit a Request for Proposal to Propose Alterate Methods for Setting Maximum Rates for the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) and Analyze Impact of Proposed Alternate Methods

The Department of Human Services published a notice in the *Minnesota State Register* on Monday October 16, 2006 requesting proposals from qualified parties for the purpose of proposing alternate methods for setting maximum rates for the Child Care Assistance Program in Minnesota and analyzing the impact of those proposed methods (see *Minnesota State Register*, Monday October 16, 2006,

Volume 31, Number 16, page 528).

The Department of Human Services has extended the deadline for submission of these proposals to Monday November 13, 2006. A Request for Proposal must be picked up in person and can be obtained from:

Linda Bowker Children and Family Services Transition to Economic Stability Department of Human Services P.O. Box 64951 St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0951 **Phone:** (651) 431-4052 **Fax:** (651) 431-7526

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals must be received at the address above no later than 4:00 p.m. on November 13, 2006. Late proposals will not be considered. Fax or emailed proposals 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.

Perpich Center for Arts Education

Professional Development and Research

DEADLINE EXTENSION FOR: Notice of Request for Proposal for an Evaluation of Quality Teaching in the Arts

The deadline for this RFP has been extended to Monday, November 27, 2006. It was previously Monday, November 13, 2006.

Department of Public Safety

Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA)

Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS)

Notice of Availability of Contract for BCA Identity and Access Management Project

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety-BCA is requesting proposals from qualified and experience contractor(s) for the purpose of providing professional and technical services to design, develop, test, and implement a comprehensive Identity and Access Management System (IAM) for BCA information systems. The implemented IAM System solution should include security policies, design principles, standards, and best practices established and approved by the BCA to address BCA's user identification, user authentication, and user authorization to access the BCA's data and systems. Work is proposed to begin on February 1, 2007. Details are contained in a complete Request for Proposals (RFP) which may be obtained by sending an e-mail to:

denise.katchmark@state.mn.us

Final date for submitting proposals is December 18, 2006 by 2:00 p.m., Central Standard Time. This RFP does not obligate the State to award a contract or complete the project, and the state reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Office of the Revisor of Statutes

Notice of Request for Computer Development Services

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Office of the Revisor of Statutes intends to enter into contracts to continue and complete the development of an XML-based computer system. The development of the new system has been ongoing since January 1, 2003 and requires development of an application that integrates a commercially available XML editor, relational database, and composition engine. The operating environment will include both Linux and Windows servers. The Revisor's Office is seeking technical consulting services for the development period of January 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. Because the development is in progress, existing contractors will be given preference. Assistance is sought in the following areas:

· Development project management consulting

- · Senior developer
- Web developer
- Oracle database consultant

For more detail, see the website at: www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us and click on "Employment Opportunities."

All responses must include a cover letter and resume, together with hourly rates and references. Please indicate which area(s) is of interest.

Responses must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 22, 2006. Contracts may be awarded to multiple companies, and be for the full 18-month period or shorter periods with the option to renew. The Revisor's office reserves the right to award all, a part, or none of the above-described contracts. Inquiries and responses may be directed to:

Michele Timmons Revisor of Statutes Office of the Revisor of Statutes 700 State Office Building 100 Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd. St. Paul, MN 55155-1297 **Telephone:** (651) 296-2868 **E-mail:** www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us **TTY** use State Relay Services 1-800-627-3529

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*.

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 Bids, 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 futher details.

Douglas County

Request for Proposals for Direct Services to Crime Victims - FY 07/08

This Request for Proposals (RFP) is designed to solicit applications for funding to provide direct services to victims of domestic violence, general crime, and sexual assault in Douglas County. Applications will be submitted using the Web-Enabled Grants Operations (WEGO) system at *http://www.wego.dps.state.mn.us*. To view the full RFP, go to:

http://www.dps.state.mn.us/OJP/funding/douglas_county/index.htm

Metropolitan Council - Metro Transit Request for Proposals for Regional Garage Needs Study

Metropolitan Transportation Services, a division of the Metropolitan Council, is seeking proposals for conducting a Regional Garage Needs Study for its contracted transit programs in the Twin Cities metropolitan area. This study will develop policies and criteria for investments in regional garage facilities, identify shortfalls and needs in existing facilities, and develop a capital investment plan for funding garage facilities.

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation goal of 17 percent has been assigned to this procurement.

Proposals are due by 2:00 p.m. on November 30, 2006.

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

Candace Osiecki Metro Transit Purchasing Department 515 N. Cleveland Avenue St. Paul, MN 55114 **Phone:** (612) 349-5070 **Fax:** (612) 349-5069 **E-mail:** candace.osiecki@metc.state.mn.us

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