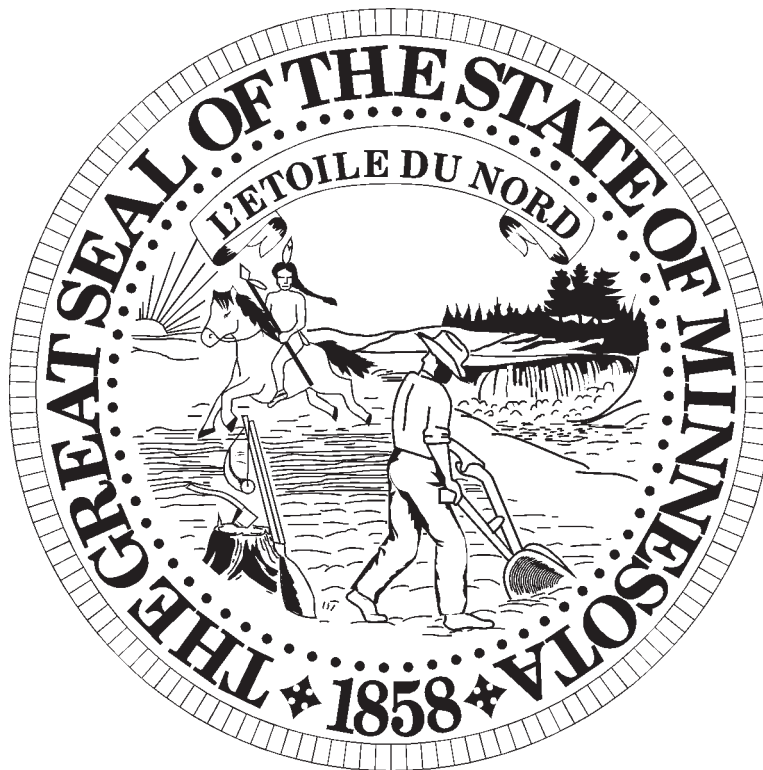


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Department of Labor and Industry

Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to the Minnesota State Fire Code

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 31, Number 19, pages 609-611, November 6, 2006 (31 SR 609), are adopted with the following modifications:

7510.5520 DEFINITIONS.

Subp. 2. **Child day care center.** "Child day care center" means a child day care facility required to be licensed by the Department of Human Services under parts 9503.0005 to 9503.0175 and classified as a Group E, ~~Division 3~~; Occupancy under section 202 of the Minnesota State Fire Code, as adopted in part 7511.0090.

7511.0705 SECTION 705, SEPARATION OF OCCUPANCIES AND HAZARDOUS AREAS.

IFC Chapter 7 is amended by adding a section to read:

SECTION 705

SEPARATION OF OCCUPANCIES AND HAZARDOUS AREAS

705.2 Occupancy separations. Occupancy separations shall be provided in buildings containing Group I and Group R occupancies as specified in Sections 705.2.1 through 705.2.3. These separations shall be constructed and maintained in accordance with the Building Code. Existing wood lath and plaster in good condition or 1/2-inch (12.7 mm) gypsum wallboard ~~may be~~ is acceptable where one-hour occupancy separations are required.

7511.0903 SECTION 903, AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEMS.

Subp. 2. **IFC Section 903.2.12.1.** IFC Section 903.2.12.1 is amended to read:

903.2.12.1 Fire protection for exhaust systems. Any portion of an exhaust system utilizing combustible components or having the potential for combustible residue build-up on the inside or where required by other sections of this code, where the duct cross-sectional area is greater than or equal to 75 square inches (480 cm²), shall be provided with an automatic extinguishing system within the duct and at the duct intake, hood, enclosure or canopy, or shall be constructed of material listed for use without sprinkler protection. When sprinkler protection is installed, means shall be provided to prevent water accumulation in the duct or the flow of water back to a process subject that could be damaged by water where the application of water constitutes a serious life or fire hazard.

7511.1015 SECTION 1015, EXIT AND EXIT ACCESS DOORWAYS.

IFC Section 1015.1 is amended to read:

1015.1 Exit or exit access doorways required. Two exits or exit access doorways from any space shall be provided where one of the following conditions exists:

1. The occupant load of the space exceeds the values in Table 1015.1.

Exception: In Groups R-2 and R-3 occupancies, one means of egress is permitted within and from individual dwelling units with a maximum occupant load of 16 if the dwelling unit is equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2.

7511.1027 SECTION 1027, MEANS OF EGRESS FOR EXISTING BUILDINGS.

IFC Section 1027 is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

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SECTION 1027

MEANS OF EGRESS FOR EXISTING BUILDINGS

1027.17 Corridors. Corridors and the openings therein shall provide an effective barrier to resist the movement of smoke. Corridors, common path of travel, and travel distance shall comply with Sections 1027.17.1 through 1027.17.6. Corridors complying with Section 1017.1 need not be fire-resistance rated.

1027.17.1 Construction. Corridors shall be fire-resistance rated in accordance with this section and Table 1027.17.1. Existing walls surfaced with wood lath and plaster in good condition or 1/2-inch gypsum wallboard are ~~permitted~~ acceptable for corridor walls and ceilings. Where Table 1027.17.1 allows a sprinkler system in lieu of fire-resistance-rated construction, the building shall be protected throughout with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2 (where allowed).

1027.17.4 Dead ends. Where more than one exit or exit access doorway is required, the exit access shall be arranged such that dead ends do not exceed the limits specified in Sections 1027.17.4.1 through 1027.17.4.2 and Table 1027.17.4.

1027.17.4.2 Existing Group E corridors. In Group E occupancies constructed prior to October 3, 1975, dead ends of up to 35 feet (10 668 mm) in length are allowed, provided the building is protected with an approved automatic sprinkler system throughout.

TABLE 1027.17.4
COMMON PATH, DEAD-END, AND TRAVEL DISTANCE LIMITS
(by occupancy)

Occupancy	Common Path Limit		Dead-end Corridor Limit		Travel Distance Limit	
	Unspr (feet)	Spr (feet)	Unspr (feet)	Spr (feet)	Unspr (feet)	Spr (feet)
Group A	20/75 ^a	20/75 ^a	20 ^b	20 ^b	200	250
Group B	75	100	50	50	200	300
Group E	75	75	20	20	200	250
Groups F-1, S-1 ^d	75	100	50	50	200	250
Groups F-2, S-2 ^d	75	100	50	50	300	400
Group H-1	25	25	0	0	75	75
Group H-2	50	100	0	0	75	100
Group H-3	50	100	20	20	100	150
Group H-4	75	75	20	20	150	175
Group H-5	75	75	20	50	150	200
Group I-1	75	75	20	20	200	250
Group I-2 (Health Care)	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	150	200 ^c
Group I-3	100	100	N/R	N/R	150 ^c	200 ^c
Group I-4 (Day Care)	N/R	N/R	20	20	200	250
Group M (Covered Mall)	75	100	50	50	200	400
Group M (Mercantile)	75	100	50	50	200	250
Group R-1 (Hotels)	75	75	50	50	200	250
Group R-2 (Apartments)	75	75	50	50	200	250
Groups R-3, R-4	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
Group U	75	75	20	20	200	400

“Unspr” means unsprinklered and “Spr” means sprinklered.

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

- a. 20 feet for common path serving more than 50 persons; 75 feet for common path serving 50 or fewer persons.
 - b. See Section 1024.9.5 for dead-end aisles in Group A occupancies.
 - c. This dimension is for the total travel distance, assuming incremental portions have fully utilized their allowable maximums. For travel distance within the room, and from the room exit access door to the exit, see the appropriate occupancy chapter.
 - d. See the International Building Code for special requirements on spacing of doors in aircraft hangers.
 - e. ~~As applicable in Section 1001.1.~~
- NR N/R = No requirements.

~~7510.3401~~ 7511.3401 SECTION 3401, GENERAL.

EFFECTIVE DATE. These amendments are effective May 31, 2007, or five working days after publication of the notice of adoption, whichever is later.

Expedited Emergency Rules

Provisions exist for the Commissioners of some state agencies to adopt expedited emergency rules when conditions exist that do not allow the Commissioner to comply with the requirements for emergency rules. The Commissioner must submit the rule to the attorney general for review and must publish a notice of adoption that includes a copy of the rule and the emergency conditions. Expedited emergency rules are effective upon publication in the State Register, and may be effective up to seven days before publication under certain emergency conditions.

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Department of Natural Resources

Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: 2007 Bear Season and Permit Procedures

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 97B.405 and 97B.411.

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 are not available until February, and applications for licenses are accepted beginning in late March and the application deadline is the first Friday in May. 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: March 6, 2007

Mark Holsten, Commissioner
Department of Natural Resources

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6232.2800 GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR TAKING BEARS.

Subpart 1. **Bag limit.** A person may not take more than one bear in quota areas and two bears in no-quota areas during any calendar year whether by firearm or archery. Bears taken may be of either sex or any age except that bear cubs may not be taken.

[For text of subs 2 to 8, see M.R.]

6232.2900 BEAR PERMIT PROCEDURES.

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

Subp. 2. **Drawings.** Drawings will be conducted by the department to determine those eligible to purchase a bear license within the bear quota areas. Preference in the drawings will be given to applicants based upon the number of times they have correctly applied for a license in a quota area in previous years but have not been selected or the number of times they have correctly applied in the preference only area in previous years but have not been selected. Upon issuance of a quota area license, all accumulated preference will be lost. Obtaining a no-quota bear license will have no effect upon eligibility or preference in the drawings. In quota areas with fewer applicants than available licenses, the remaining available licenses may be first offered to unsuccessful applicants for other quota areas on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at 12:00 p.m. on the first Monday in August. To obtain a remaining available license, an eligible person must apply individually and in person at an electronic license system agent location or individually through the ELS-Internet or ELS-Telephone system. Any remaining available licenses not purchased by unsuccessful applicants may then be issued to any eligible person as prescribed by the commissioner on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at 12:00 p.m. on the second Monday in August. Individuals who purchase these remaining available licenses will retain their accumulated preference.

[For text of subs 3 to 7, see M.R.]

6232.3055 BEAR LICENSE QUOTAS.

The number of available licenses for quota areas for the 2007 bear hunting season is 13,200 and is divided as follows:

- A. Bear Quota Area 12: 500;
- B. Bear Quota Area 13: 700;
- C. Bear Quota Area 22: 150;
- D. Bear Quota Area 24: 900;
- E. Bear Quota Area 25: 1,700;
- F. Bear Quota Area 26: 1,250;
- G. Bear Quota Area 31: 1,900;
- H. Bear Quota Area 41: 400;
- I. Bear Quota Area 44: 1,500;
- J. Bear Quota Area 45: 1,200; and
- K. Bear Quota Area 51: 3,000.

6232.3100 BEAR NOQUOTA AREA.

Licenses for the no-quota area are not limited in number and may be purchased ~~from a county auditor's office, county auditor's subagents in Pine, Kanabec, Roseau, and Marshall Counties, or the License Bureau~~ at an electronic licensing system (ELS) agent, ELS-Internet, or ELS-Telephone. A person may ~~not~~ purchase a license for both a quota area and the no-quota area in the same year. No-quota licenses are valid only in the no-quota area.

EFFECTIVE PERIOD. *Minnesota Rules*, part 6232.3055, expires December 31, 2007. The expedited emergency amendments to *Minnesota Rules*, parts 6232.2800, 6232.2900, and 6232.3100, expire December 31, 2007. After the emergency amendments to *Minnesota Rules*, parts 6232.2800, 6232.2900, and 6232.3100, expire, the permanent rules as they read prior to the amendments again take effect, except as they may be amended by permanent rule.

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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.

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The following Revenue Notices are hereby revoked because the authority for the administration of the Minnesota Unfair Cigarette Sales Act has been transferred to the Minnesota Department of Commerce.

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JOHN H. MANSUN, Assistant Commissioner
for Tax Policy and External Relations

Department of Revenue

Revenue Notice # 07-05: Technical Corrections to Prior Revenue Notices 2004-06, 1999-13, 1998-07, 1996-01, 1995-09, 1995-01, 1994-12, 1994-06, and 1993-15

This Revenue Notice corrects obsolete statutory references and, in one instance, a reference to an industry published authority cited in previously issued Revenue Notices. The changes stem from various recodifications, statutory changes and industry updates made since the original notices were issued. This notice is not intended to have any substantive effect but instead is being published solely to assist

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Notice	Citation(s) in Original Notice	Substituted Current Citation or Language Modification as Shown
2004-06	" <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , sections 289A.36, subdivision 8; 296A.20, subdivision 8; 297E.08, subdivision 8; 297F.15, subdivision 8; 297G.14, subdivision 8; and 297I.55, subdivision 8; all provide"	" <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> section 270C.32, subd. 9 provides"
1999-13	" <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 295.53, subdivision 1(21), exempts from the MinnesotaCare tax the following payments received by a hospital, surgical center, or health care provider ("provider"): "payments received for examinations for purposes of utilization reviews, insurance claims or eligibility, litigation, and employment, including reviews of medical records for those purposes." This exemption is effective for services provided after December 31, 1998."	" <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 295.53, subdivision 1(21) <u>295.50, subd. 9b(b)(2)</u> , exempts <u>excludes</u> from the MinnesotaCare tax <u>the definition of patient services</u> the following payments received <u>services provided</u> by a hospital, surgical center, or health care provider ("provider"): " payments received <u>for</u> examinations for purposes of utilization reviews, insurance claims or eligibility, litigation, and employment, including reviews of medical records for those purposes." This exemption is effective for services provided after December 31, 1998. "
	"Confirmatory consultations required by a third party payor on the necessity or appropriateness of a previously recommended medical treatment (including but not limited to procedures required to be coded under the following American Medical Association Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes: 99456 and 99271 through 99275 (modifier '32'));"	"Confirmatory consultations required by a third party payor on the necessity or appropriateness of a previously recommended medical treatment (including, but not limited to, procedures required to be coded under the following American Medical Association Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes: 99456 and 99271 through 99275 (modifier '32')) ;"
	"Second opinion examinations when they are required by a third party payor (including but not limited to procedures required to be coded under the following CPT codes: 99271 through 99275 (modifier '32'));"	"Second opinion examinations when they are required by a third party payor (including but not limited to procedures required to be coded under the following CPT codes: 99271 through 99275 (modifier '32')) ;"
1998-07	" <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 297A.07"	" <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , § 270C.722"
1996-01	" <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , Section 270.72, subd. 1, states;"	" <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , Section 270.72, subd. 1 <u>270C.72, subd. 1</u> , states;"
	TAX CLEARANCE REQUIRED. The state or a political subdivision of the state may not issue, transfer, or renew, <i>and must revoke</i> , a license for the conduct of a profession, occupation, trade, or business, if the commissioner notifies the licensing authority that the applicant owes the state delinquent taxes, penalties, or interest." [Emphasis Added]."	TAX CLEARANCE REQUIRED. The state or a political subdivision of the state may not issue, transfer, or renew, <i>and must revoke</i> , a license for the conduct of a profession, occupation, trade, or business, if the commissioner notifies the licensing authority that the applicant owes the state delinquent taxes <u>payable to the commissioner</u> , penalties, or interest." [Emphasis Added]."
	" <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , Section 270.72, subd. 1" (wherever cited)	" <i>Minnesota Statutes</i> , Section 270C.72, subd. 1"

	"Minn. Stat. § 270.72"	"Minn. Stat. § 270C.72"
1995-09	"Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.01, subd. 3(i)(iii)"	"Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.61, subd., 3(g)(6)(iii)"
1995-01	"Minnesota Statutes, § 297A.01, subd. 3(i)(iii)"	"Minnesota Statutes, § 297A.61, subd., 3(g)(6)(iii)"
1994-12	"Minnesota Statutes, section 295.53, subdivision 1(a), items (1) through (14), or subdivision 2, item (1)."	"Minnesota Statutes, section 295.53, subdivision 1(a), items (1) through (14) (15), or subdivision 2, item (1)."
1994-06	"Minnesota Statutes Section 60A.15"	"Minnesota Statutes Section 297I.05"
1993-15	"Minnesota Statutes, section 295.53, subdivision 1(11)" "sections 295.50 to 295.57"	"Minnesota Statutes, section 295.53, subdivision 1(a)(8)" "sections 295.50 to 295.59"

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JOHN H. MANSUN, Assistant Commissioner
for Tax Policy and External Relations

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Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.101, an agency must first solicit comments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency by publishing a notice in the *State Register* at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, and within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking.

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Department of Human Services

Notice of Availability of the Minnesota Health Care Programs Provider

Participation list [Minnesota Rules, Parts 9505.5200 to 9505.5240, also Known as DHS Rule 101 - Provider Compliance List]

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Health Care Programs provider participation list for April 2006 is now available. The provider participation list is a compilation of health care providers who are in compliance with DHS Rule 101 (*Minnesota Rules*, Parts 9505.5200 to 9505.5240). If a provider name is not on the list, the Department considers the provider non-compliant. The list of providers is separated by provider type, each section is in alphabetical order by provider name, and there is no additional information on the list other than the provider's name. This list is distributed on a quarterly basis to the Department of Employee Relations, the Department of Labor and Industry, and the Department of Commerce. To obtain the list, contact Julie Hervas, Rule 101 (*Minnesota Rules*, Parts 9505.5200 to 9505.5240) Specialist, at (651) 431-2704 or toll-free at 1-800-366-5411. You may fax your request to (651) 431-7462 or mail to the Department of Human Services, PO Box 64987, St. Paul, MN 55164-0987.

Cal Ludeman, Commissioner
Department of Human Services

Department of Human Services

Public Notice Regarding Proposed Payment Rate Changes For Hospitals, Nursing Facilities and Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation (ICFs/MR) Participating in the Medical Assistance Program

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to recipients, providers of services under the Medical Assistance Program, and to the public, of proposed payment rate changes for hospitals, nursing facilities and intermediate care facilities for persons with mental retardation (ICFs/MR) participating in the Medical Assistance Program.

This notice is published pursuant to 42 *United States Code* §1396a(a)(13)(A) (§1902(a)(13)(A) of the Social Security Act), which requires the Department to publish proposed facility payment rates, the methodologies underlying the establishment of such rates, and the justification for such rates. It is also published pursuant to *Code of Federal Regulations*, title 42, part 447, section 205 (42 CFR §447.205), which requires publication of a notice when there is a proposed rate change in the methods and standards for setting payment rates for Medical Assistance services.

The Department is notifying interested parties that the Governor's biennial budget for State Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009 contains the following proposed changes to inpatient hospital, nursing facilities and intermediate care facilities for persons with mental retardation (ICFs/MR) payment rates.

Current law at *Minnesota Statutes* §256.969, subd. 9(f), provides that General Assistance Medical Care hospital payments will be considered a Medicaid disproportionate share payment to the extent of federal aggregate and hospital specific disproportionate share limits through June 30, 2007. The budget proposal would repeal the June 30, 2007 sunset, in order to continue this after June 30, 2007.

Beginning June 1, 2007, Hennepin County Medical Center would report quarterly to the commissioner, payments made during the second previous quarter that may qualify for disproportionate share hospital payments. The reporting requirements for payments as described at *Minnesota Statutes* §256B.199, made by Regions Hospital, and Fairview University Medical Center are eliminated.

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* §256.969, subd. 9 (f), effective June 1, 2007, and upon federal approval, the SFY 2006 uncompensated care cost expenditures of Hennepin County Medical Center will be considered Medicaid disproportionate share payments.

Effective July 1, 2007, quarterly payment adjustments of 13, 10 and 4 percent, which are based on hospitals Medicaid inpatient utilization rates, and the 4 percent offsetting reduction, as described at *Minnesota Statutes* §256.969 subdivision 27, are repealed.

Effective July 1, 2007 and upon federal approval, the fee-for-service portion of the Medical Education and Research Committee (MERC) Trust Fund payments described at *Minnesota Statutes* §62J.692 will be distributed to teaching sites based on each site's proportion of Medicaid payments in relation to total Medicaid payments to all teaching sites.

On January 18, 2007 the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services published a notice of proposed rulemaking that outlined several changes to the treatment of payments to providers that are owned and operated by units of government. One of the provisions of the proposed rule would limit annual Medicaid payments to public providers to their actual costs for providing Medicaid services. The proposed effective date for this provision is September 1, 2007. In order to ensure that Minnesota is able comply with the cost limit provision should the rule go into effect, the Governor's Budget includes the following recommendation.

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Effective July 1, 2007 and contingent upon promulgation of federal regulations regarding payments to public providers, the Department is authorized to:

- Require providers that are units of government to report costs in a format determined by the Department;
- Limit annual payments to each Medicaid provider that is a unit of government to their Medicaid costs; and
- Discontinue certain transfers and certification of funds if federal funds become unavailable for that purpose.

The net effect of the proposed payment inpatient hospital rate changes would be a decrease in state Medical Assistance inpatient expenditures of \$3,183,000 for State Fiscal Year 2008 and \$11,211,000 for State Fiscal Year 2009.

The budget proposes to increase ICF/MR payment rates by 2%, effective October 1, 2007 and 2% effective July 1, 2008.

The net effect of the proposed ICF/MR rate changes would be an increase in state Medical Assistance expenditures for ICF/MR services. The state general fund cost increase is projected to be \$888,000 in State Fiscal Year 2008; \$2,455,000 in State Fiscal Year 2009; \$2,437,000 in State Fiscal Year 2010; and \$2,310,000 in State Fiscal Year 2011.

The budget proposes to increase nursing facility payment rates by:

- 1.5% effective October 1, 2007 and 1.5% effective October 1, 2008;
- an additional amount based on each facility's performance. These performance-based payment rate increases would average 0.5% each year of the biennium and would be effective October 1, 2007 and October 1, 2008;
- an additional \$200,000, state share, effective October 1, 2008 to provide additional funding to pay for increased county long-term care consultation costs.

The net effect of the proposed nursing facility rate changes would be an increase in state Medical Assistance expenditures for nursing facility services. The state general fund cost increase is projected to be \$5,554,000 in State Fiscal Year 2008; \$14,084,000 in State Fiscal Year 2009; \$16,789,000 in State Fiscal Year 2010; and \$16,787,000 in State Fiscal Year 2011.

Information on the proposed inpatient hospital rate changes is available from Paul Olson, Health Care Administration, Post Office Box 64984, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55164-0984; **phone** (651) 431-2532 or **e-mail:** paul.olson@state.mn.us

Information on the proposed nursing facility and ICF/MR rate changes is available from Sue Banken, Department of Human Services, Continuing Care Administration, Post Office Box 64974, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55164-0974; **phone** (651) 431-2559 or **e-mail:** sue.banken@state.mn.us.

The public is invited to attend the legislative hearings where these proposals will be discussed. Information on Senate hearings is available from the Senate Information Office at:

(651) 296-0504 (voice) or
(651) 296-0250 (TTY);
for Greater Minnesota call 1-888-234-1112 (voice) or
1-888-234-1216 (TTY).
Hearing schedules are posted at: <http://www.senate.mn.schedule>

Information on House of Representatives hearings is available from the House of Representatives Public Information Office at: (651) 296-2146 (voice) or (651) 296-9896 (TTY); for Greater Minnesota call 1-800-657-3550 or 1-800-627-3529 (TTY). Hearing schedules are posted at: <http://www.house.mn/hinfo/hinfosched.asp>

Notice of final rate changes enacted by the 2007 legislature will be published in the *State Register* prior to the effective date of the changes.

Department of Human Services State Operated Services Division

Public Notices of the Disproportionate Population Adjustment for State Regional Treatment Centers and Proposed Payment Rates for the State Regional Treatment Centers

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to recipients, providers of services under the Medical Assistance (MA) Program, and to the public, of proposed changes concerning the disproportionate population adjustment (DPA) and the payment rates for Regional Treatment Centers under the MA Program. This notice is published pursuant to 42 *United States Code* §1396a(a)(13)(A) (§1902(a)(13)(A) of the Social Security Act), which requires the Department to publish proposed payment rates for institutional providers, the methodologies underlying the establishment of such rates, and the justification of such rates.

In conjunction with the current state fiscal year's budget for Regional Treatment Centers, as appropriated by the legislature, payment
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rates are determined in accordance with *Minnesota Statutes*, §246.50, subdivision 5.

Effective for admissions occurring during State Fiscal Year 2008 (July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008), the inpatient payment rate of each Regional Treatment Center will be adjusted by the indicated percentage:

DPA ADJUSTMENT	
<u>Facility</u>	<u>SFY 2006</u>
Anoka	19.52%
Eveleth	23.45%
Willmar	13.97%

Due to legislative action, the following proposed MA payment rates are subject to change. Final rates for State Fiscal Year 2008 will be published prior to July 1, 2007.

Facility	Adult Mental Illness	Mental Retardation	Psychopathic Personality	Nursing Facility
Anoka	\$630			
Anoka Transition Services	\$277			
Community Behavioral Health Hospitals	\$897			
Eveleth	\$592			
MSH ¹	\$643			
MSH Transition Services	\$215			
Treat to Competency	\$262			
Forensic Adolescents	\$928			
Willmar	\$1,066			
Minnesota Extended Treatment Options		\$857		
Minnesota Sex Offender Program ²			\$369	
Ah-Gwah-Ching				\$945

¹ Minnesota Security Hospital on the St. Peter facility campus

² Moose Lake facility and the satellite program on the St. Peter facility campus

Questions and comments may be directed to Lynn Glancey, Minnesota Department of Human Services, State Operated Services Division, 444 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, MN 55155-0979, **Phone** (651) 431-3690 or **E-mail**: Lynn.Glancey@state.mn.us.

Metropolitan Council

Housing and Redevelopment Authority (Metro HRA)

Metro HRA Waiting List Opening

The Metropolitan Council Housing and Redevelopment Authority (Metro HRA) will be accepting application requests for the Section 8 and the Public Housing rental assistance programs. Application requests will be taken on the following Tuesdays in May ONLY: Tuesday, May 1, Tuesday, May 8, Tuesday, May 15 and Tuesday, May 22, 2007. Requests will be taken between the hours of 9:00am and 3:00pm only. Application requests can be made by doing **ONE** of the following:

- E-mail a request including name, address and social security number to applications@metc.state.mn.us or;
- Fax a request including name, address and social security number to Metro HRA (651) 602-1313 or;
- Call Metro HRA (651) 602-1553, or TTY (651) 291-0904, or;
- Leave your name and address at the Metro HRA office, 390 N. Robert Street, St. Paul

Your request **MUST** state whether you want an application for Section 8, Public Housing or Both. **No applications will be given out in person.** All applications will be mailed. Incomplete requests will not be processed.

A random drawing of not more than 5,000 applications will determine placement on the Section 8 waiting list. A random drawing of not more than 1,000 will determine placement on the Public Housing waiting list. To be included in the random drawing, applications must be completed and returned to the Metro HRA no later than 4:30pm on Friday, June 15, 2007. Applications not selected in the random drawing will be disregarded.

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Notice of Proposed Classification of State Forest Lands in Crow Wing County with Respect to Motor Vehicle Use

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) proposes to classify state forest lands in Crow Wing County with respect to operation of motor vehicles. The proposal is to classify most state forest lands under the authority of the Commissioner that are located in Crow Wing County to one of the following classes:

1. “*Limited*” in which forest roads are open to motor vehicle use unless posted closed and forest trails are closed to motor vehicle use unless posted open, or
2. “*Closed*” in which forest roads are open to motor vehicles licensed for highway use. No OHVs are permitted, except that OHVs may operate on frozen public waters. Snowmobiles may operate on designated trails.

Minnesota Laws 2003, Chapter 128, Article 1, Section 167 as amended and *Minnesota Rules Chapter 6100.1950* govern the classification of state forests with respect to motor vehicle use.

The proposal covers the Crow Wing State Forest, the Emily State Forest, and other forest lands under the authority of the Commissioner located outside of state forest boundaries in Crow Wing County. The proposal does not cover the portion of the Land O’ Lakes State Forest located in Crow Wing County. In total, about 25,000 acres of land will be classified with respect to motor vehicle use.

In conjunction with the proposed motor vehicle use classification the DNR has developed a plan that identifies which roads and trails on state forest lands in Crow Wing County will be open to use by various types of motor vehicles. There are about 104 miles of roads, trails, and other routes on state forest land in Crow Wing County.

The DNR will hold a public information meeting on the proposed classification and road and trail use designations from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 21, 2007 at the Northland Arboretum, 14250 Conservation Drive, Baxter, MN. DNR staff will present information and receive public comments on the proposal at the meeting. Crow Wing County staff will present information and respond to questions on motor vehicle access on county-administered forest lands.

The classification proposal, road and trail designation plan, and related maps are available on the DNR website at www.dnr.state.mn.us. Copies of the documents can also be obtained from:

Jack Olson, Natural Resources Planner
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
1601 Minnesota Drive
Brainerd, MN 56401
Phone: (218) 833-8716
E-mail: jack.olson@dnr.state.mn.us

Written comments on the proposal can also be submitted to the above address until 4:30 p.m. on July 6, 2007.

Laurie H. Martinson, Deputy Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

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Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Notice of Proposed Classification of State Forest Lands In Southern St. Louis and Carlton Counties, Minnesota with Respect to Motor Vehicle Use

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) proposes to classify all State Forest Lands within Southern St. Louis County, including lands within the Cloquet Valley State Forest, and state forest lands in Carlton County, with respect to motor vehicle operation. The proposal is to assign all state lands under the authority of the Commissioner, to one of the following classes: (pursuant to *MN Rules Chapter 6100.1950*).

1. **"Managed"**, in which forest roads and trails are open for motor vehicle use unless posted closed;
2. **"Limited"**, in which forest roads are open to motor vehicle use unless posted closed, and forest trails are closed to motor vehicle use unless posted open, or
3. **"Closed"**, in which forest roads are open only to motor vehicles licensed for highway use. No off-highway vehicles are permitted, except for operation on frozen public waters. Snowmobiles may operate on designated trails only in closed forests.

This proposal covers the Cloquet Valley State Forest, and scattered forest lands under the authority of the Commissioner located **OUTSIDE** of State Forest boundaries in both Southern St. Louis and Carlton Counties. In total, just over 144,000 acres of state forest land, and 300 miles of roads, trails and non-designated routes were evaluated with respect to motor vehicle use. In conjunction with the proposed classification, the DNR has developed a road and trail designation proposal that identifies those routes on state forest lands that will remain open to motorized vehicle use.

The DNR will hold **TWO** public meetings on this proposal, the first on Wednesday June 20 at the Cotton Community Center located approximately 30 miles north of Duluth near the intersection of Arkola Road and Highway 53 (west frontage road) in Cotton, and the second on Thursday, June 21 at the Rice Lake Town Hall located at 4107 West Beyer Road in Duluth. Both meetings will run from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The first hour of each meeting will allow people to informally review the plan, maps and other summary materials. DNR and St. Louis County Land Department representatives will be on hand to answer questions regarding motorized access planning for public forest lands in the county. During the remainder of the meeting, the DNR will present its proposal and respond to questions and comments. Written comments will also be accepted.

The DNR's Forest Classification & Route Designation Proposal, supporting maps and other materials, are available at www.dnr.state.mn.us. Copies of the documents may also be viewed at the DNR's Cloquet Area Forestry Office located at 1604 South Highway 33 in Cloquet, MN or are available upon request from:

Brian McCann, Planner
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
Box 52, 500 Lafayette Road
St. Paul, MN 55155-4052
Phone: (651) 259-5627
E-mail: brian.mccann@dnr.state.mn.us

Written comments on the proposal may be submitted to the above address until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, June 29, 2007.

Laurie H. Martinson, Deputy Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Office of the Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities

Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting on April 19, 2007

The Ombudsman for MH/DD Advisory Committee will hold a meeting from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on April 19, 2007. The meeting will be held in Suite 420 Metro Square Bldg., 121 7th Place E., St. Paul. Please RSVP to Paul at (651) 296-3848 or 1-800-657-3506.

State Rehabilitation Council**Meeting Date - May 23, 2007**

The State Rehabilitation Council will meet on May 23 from 9:00 to 2:00 at the Hennepin North Workforce Center. For more information, please contact the Department of Employment and Economic Development at: phone: (800) 328-9095; (651) 296-5629. TTY: (800) 657-3973; (651) 296-3900. If accommodations are required, please request them no later than one week in advance.

May 23, 2007

Hennepin North Workforce Center

7115 Northland Terrace

Room 3

Brooklyn Park MN 55428

Teachers Retirement Association (TRA)**Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA)****Minnesota State Retirement System (MSRS)****Joint Post Fund Committee****Notice of Meeting on April 27, 2007**

A Post Fund Committee meeting of the Joint Boards of the Minnesota Teachers Retirement Association, Public Employees Retirement Association, and Minnesota State Retirement System is scheduled to be held on Friday, April 27, 2007, at 9:30 a.m., Room 106, Retirement Services of Minnesota Building, 60 Empire Drive, Saint Paul, Minnesota.

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 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.

Requirements: There are no statutes or rules requiring contracts to be advertised for any specific length of time, but the Materials Management Division strongly recommends meeting the following requirements:

\$0 - \$5000 does not need to be advertised. Contact the Materials Management Division: (651) 296-2600
\$5,000 - \$25,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least seven calendar days;
\$25,000 - \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least 14 calendar days; and
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Minnesota State Colleges & Universities (MnSCU)

Century College

Request for Proposals – Smart Classrooms

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Century College located in White Bear Lake, MN request proposals to develop a one-year contract with a vendor that shall provide equipment and installation of Smart Classrooms throughout the course of the year if funding is available to do so. The first project will involve equipment and installation of nine classrooms with expected installation no later than June 22, 2007.

A mandatory meeting/walk through shall be held on Monday, April 30, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. Meet in the East Campus, Upper Ramp South Side Entrance. Proposals will be due no later than Monday, May 7, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. CDT.

To receive the RFP, the preferred method is via **e-mail:** dona.bettinger@century.edu.

Submitted by:
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White Bear Lake MN 55110
Phone: (651) 779-3276
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Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

Office of the Chancellor

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 or by contacting Christine McGing, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, Wells Fargo Place, 30 - 7th St. E., Suite 350, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, **phone:** (651) 297-2720, or **e-mail:** christine.mcging@so.mnscu.edu. Sealed bids must be received by FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2007, 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) Minneapolis Community & Technical College Request for Proposals for a Campus-Wide ID Card and Transaction System

Description: Minneapolis Community and Technical College is requesting qualified vendors to submit proposals for a complete online one-card Campus-Wide ID Card and Transaction System that will include point-of-sale, food services and meal plans, prepaid services and credit accounts, and activity access and monitoring capabilities. This system must also be able to support video imaging ID Card production; vending, copying/printing, parking, door access, off-campus merchants; bookstore and online access to cardholder accounts including deposit capability via the Web.

Proposal Deadline: 2:00 p.m. – Tuesday May 15, 2007

Contact for proposal copies and to submit:

Michael Noble-Olson – Purchasing Manager
Minneapolis Community & Technical College
1501 Hennepin Avenue – Business Office
Minneapolis, MN 55403
Telephone: (612) 659-6866
E-mail: *Michael.Noble-Olson@minneapolis.edu*

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Minneapolis Community & Technical College Request for Bids for Printing of *2007-2008 MCTC Catalog*

Description / Specifications: Catalog trim size 8 1/4" W x 10 3/4" H, Image area 7 3/4" W x 10 1/4" H, 320 text pages plus a 4-page cover section, text 50# white vellum offset, cover 80# white gloss cover. Text black ink only on all pages (NOTE: text pages bleed on face for index tab), cover section blk + 1 pms, bleeds 4S, perfect bind. Bids requested for quantities of 17,000, 20,000 & 23,000 copies. Also include cost for additional 1000 increments. Creatives will be provided to you in .pdf and InDesign format unless otherwise specified.

Also, must provide MCTC with digital copy in editable format.

Print schedule - To printer approximately the week of 5/7/2007 to 5/11/07 and deliver to MCTC within a week of final approved proofs and files.

Bid Questions: David Tajima – (612) 659-6224 or by e-mail at *David.Tajima@minneapolis.edu*

Deadline for Bids: 12:00 p.m. – Monday, April 23, 2007

Contact for bid copies and to submit bids:

David Tajima / Marketing
Room K1100
Minneapolis Community and Technical College
1501 Hennepin Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55403
Telephone: (612) 659-6224
or by **E-mail** at: *David.Tajima@minneapolis.edu*

State Contracts

Minnesota Department of Human Services

Notice of Availability of Contract for Training in Clinical Documentation for Assertive Community Treatment and Other Medicaid-Reimbursable Adult Rehabilitative Mental Health Services in an Evidence-Based Practice Environment: Phase I of a Two-Phase Project

The Minnesota Department of Human Services is requesting proposals for the purpose of providing consultation and training on Medicaid documentation issues in an evidence-based practice environment, with two distinct areas of focus: First, the Contractor will provide consultation to Department of Human Services (DHS) staff on issues related to the clinical documentation of Medicaid-reimbursable, evidence-based practices in adult mental health rehabilitation. Second, the Contractor will provide training, including two separate two-day workshops and extensive customized training to service providers, on the concepts and methods of state-of-the-art clinical documentation for Medicaid-reimbursable, evidence-based practices in adult mental health rehabilitation, insuring that the providers are able to implement those concepts and methods successfully in their local programs; in addition, the Contractor will provide technical writing on the material developed for the training so that it can be placed online. At least four full days of work must take place at DHS headquarters in St. Paul; the remainder may take place at any location where the Contractor has access to interactive videoconferencing facilities compatible with the DHS system. Reasonable time will be allowed for preparation and background work by the Contractor. The term of any resulting contract is anticipated to be from June 15, 2007, until December 31, 2007; however, it is expected that most of the deliverables will be accomplished no later than November 2, 2007.

Work is proposed to start after June 15, 2007.

A Request for Proposals will be available by mail from this office through May 8, 2007. **A written request (by direct mail or fax) is required to receive the Request for Proposal.** After May 8, 2007, the Request for Proposal must be picked up in person.

The Request for Proposal can be obtained from:

Thomas F. Witheridge, Ph.D.
Adult Mental Health Division, Department of Human Services
P.O. Box 64981, St. Paul, MN 55164-0981
Phone: (651) 431-7418

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received at the address above no later than May 11, 2007, at 4:00 p.m. Central Daylight time. **Late proposals will not be considered.** Fax or e-mailed 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.

Supreme Court - Trial Court

Civil Division, Ramsey County District Court

Civil Commitment Primary Examiner

Probate (Guardianship) Examiner

Advertisement for Contract Forensic Examiners

The Second Judicial District, Civil Division, is seeking to contract with one or more psychiatrists and / or psychologists to perform psychological examinations for civil commitment and probate cases.

Description of the Work:

The Second Judicial District appoints examiners for approximately 1000 civil commitment and probate psychological examinations per year. Generally these examinations must be conducted promptly after assignment by the court, with a report to follow within 48 hours.

The contractor(s) shall conduct professional psychological examinations for civil commitment cases, as filed in the Ramsey County District Court, upon notification by the Civil Commitment office that an evaluation is needed. The civil commitment psychological examinations and written reports shall meet all requirements of Minn. Stat. 253B and the Special Rules of Procedure Governing Proceedings under the Minnesota Commitment and Treatment Act. The primary location for delivery of civil commitment psychological exam services is Regions Hospital, St. Paul, but may take place at such other locations as directed by the court.

The contractor(s) shall also provide psychological examinations and written reports following the requirements set forth in Guardianship and Protective Proceedings cases pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, Chap. 524.

The contractor(s) shall give testimony in court as required to fulfill all obligations as an independent court examiner regarding respondents in civil commitment, guardianship and protective proceeding matters.

Contractor Requirements:

Contractor requirements include medical licensure in the State of Minnesota, or a licensed psychologist with a doctoral degree in psychology, as well as malpractice insurance and experience conducting psychological examinations of persons in need of psychiatric treatment and /or hospitalization. A criminal background check is required of all contractors.

Compensation Rates:

Psychologist: \$50.00 per exam and report for general civil commitment and probate cases
\$70.00 per hour court hearing time and reserved time for court trials
\$70.00 per hour for exam and hearing time in regard to special cases such as mentally ill and dangerous, sexual psychopathic personality, and sexually dangerous persons.

Psychiatrist: \$85.00 per exam and report for general civil commitment and probate cases
\$125.00 per hour court hearing time and reserved time for court trials
\$125.00 per hour for exam and hearing time in regard to special cases such as mentally ill and dangerous, sexual psychopathic personality, and sexually dangerous persons.

PLEASE NOTE: that no claim for other services or expenses including travel time and expenses, will be honored under the contract entered into unless (i) such service as ordered is clearly outside the scope of the services specified by the terms of this Agreement, and (ii) such service has been specifically ordered by a judge presiding in a Ramsey County case and the expense is preauthorized by the Court's representative.

Application:

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume and references, along with copies of their medical license or doctoral degree in psychology, proof of malpractice insurance, and workers' compensation insurance, applicable if you have employees. Please provide detailed information about your experience in psychological examinations and court testimony similar to the description of work described above.

Please identify the maximum time commitment that you would be available.

Application materials should be addressed to:

Ms. Sandy Eckes Shandorf
Civil Commitment Office, Civil Division
Second Judicial District
600 Ramsey County Courthouse
15 Kellogg Boulevard West
St. Paul, MN 55102

Selection of Contractors and Nature of the Contract:

The Second Judicial District will select one or more individuals based on experience, credentials, and availability to perform the work as outlined above. The contract period is July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008

Contractors must agree to the Judicial Branch's terms and conditions and sign a professional technical contract. An advance copy of the contract will be provided upon request.

Proposal Due Date: April 30, 2007

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Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)

Operations Division

Office of Traffic Safety and Operations

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION on Draft Request for Partnership Proposals for Proposed Mileage Based User Fee Technology Demonstration Project

Background. The Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) requests information and comments on a draft Request for Partnership Proposals (RFPP) for a proposed Mileage Based User Fee (MBUF) Technology Demonstration Project. The technology demonstration project has been proposed in the 2008-2009 Transportation Budget and project funding is currently being reviewed by the Minnesota Legislature. Issuance of the RFPP is contingent upon funding being approved.

The purpose of this project is to demonstrate and evaluate technology necessary for a mileage based user fee system that may provide an opportunity to transition from the existing motor fuel tax system. This project will focus on the technology aspects of MBUF. Other studies will consider the policy and public acceptance aspects of MBUF. The demonstration project will explore technological capabilities to support the policy and public acceptance portions of MBUF implementation.

The draft RFPP is available online at: www.dot.state.mn.us/business/rfi/mileagebaseduserfee.html.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups are requested to submit comments or information on this proposed technology demonstration project using the following questions as a framework for response.

1. Is the scope of work as described in the RFPP achievable within the proposed time frame?
2. A budget of \$5million has been proposed for the demonstration project and its independent evaluation. Please comment on the proposed budget.
3. What are your expectations for participation by the State? What equipment, information, facilities, and/or personnel will the State need to provide?
4. Are there any specific requirements in sections 2.1 through 2.7 that are not achievable or that have significant cost implications?
5. Is there any other functionality that you believe should be included in the RFPP?
6. Please comment on the requested size of the demonstration (i.e., 500 vehicles, rural/urban geography, etc.).
7. What information, assistance, support will be required from the State to secure the study participants?
8. Describe any concerns regarding intellectual property rights/licensing with respect to products developed for or under this demonstration project.
9. Please comment on alternatives to using retail gas stations to record and collect mileage based fees.
10. What do you see as the primary risks and challenges to conducting this technology demonstration project?
11. Please include any additional comments on the RFPP content.

All comments should be submitted in writing by close of business on Friday, May 4, 2007 to: Ginny Crowson, Mn/DOT, Office of Traffic, Safety and Operations, 1500 W. County Road B-2, M.S. 725, Roseville, MN 55113. Comments should be submitted on unbound paper to facilitate reproduction as necessary.

Note that comments and information received in response to this notice may, but will not necessarily be included in the formal RFPP if and when approval to proceed with the demonstration project is granted. Also note that comments received will be classified as "public data not on individuals" under the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act (*Minnesota Statutes* chapter13).

Agency Contact. Comments, questions, or requests for more information on this Request for Information should be directed to: Ginny Crowson, Mn/DOT, Office of Traffic, Safety and Operations by **e-mail** at: ginny.crowson@dot.state.mn.us.

Alternative Format. This Request for Information and the draft RFPP are available in alternative formats through the agency contact listed above. For persons who are hearing or speech impaired, call Minnesota Relay Services at (651) 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 ("Consultant Pre-Qualification Program")

This document is available in alternative formats for persons with disabilities by calling Brad Hamilton at (651) 366-4626 for persons who are hearing or speech impaired by calling Minnesota Relay Service at (800) 627-3529.

Mn/DOT, worked in conjunction with the Consultant Reform Committee, the American Council of Engineering Companies of

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Minnesota (ACEC/MN), and the Department of Administration, to develop 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 awards most of its consultant contracts for highway-related technical activities using this method, however, Mn/DOT also reserves the right to use Request for Proposal (RFP) or other selection processes for particular projects. Nothing in this solicitation requires Mn/DOT to 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 for application. Applications are 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 applications forms are available on Mn/DOT's Consultant Services web site at: <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/consult>.

Send completed application material to:

Brad Hamilton
Consultant Services
Office of Technical Support
Minnesota Department of Transportation
395 John Ireland Blvd. Mail Stop 680
St. Paul Minnesota 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 further details.

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Energy Engineering Services

Contract Number 07P036

The Metropolitan Council is requesting proposals for engineering services for its energy optimization studies in process, buildings and renewable resources at its wastewater treatment facilities, including heat pump and heat exchanger applications; aeration and incineration process optimization; HVAC and lighting system upgrades; and digester gas utilization.

<i>Issue Request for Proposals</i>	April 16, 2007
<i>Receive Proposals</i>	May 4, 2007
<i>Contract negotiated, executed, NTP</i>	May, 2007
<i>Period of performance</i>	May, 2007 to May, 2010

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

Sunny Jo Emerson, Administrative Assistant, Contracts and Procurement Unit
Metropolitan Council
390 Robert Street
St. Paul, MN 55101
Phone: (651) 602-1499
Fax: (651) 602-1083
E-mail: sunnyjo.emerson@metc.state.mn.us

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Energy Tariff and Cost Analyses

Contract Number 07P035

The Metropolitan Council is requesting proposals for services to perform financial and management analysis of energy matters, including but not limited to; tariff selection, optimizing PDLs for peak control agreements, and evaluation of rate case impacts to the Council.

<i>Issue Request for Proposals</i>	April 9, 2007
<i>Receive Proposals</i>	April 24, 2007
<i>Contract negotiated, executed, NTP</i>	May, 2007
<i>Period of performance</i>	May, 2007 to May, 2010

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

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Non-State Bids, Contracts & Grants

Metropolitan Council - Metro Transit

Request for Proposals for Minnetonka Area Dial-A-Ride Transit Service

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting proposals from transit service providers for contract operations for the Minnetonka Area Dial-A-Ride Transit Service.

The Minnetonka service provides dial-a-ride operations in the cities of Minnetonka, Mound and Spring Park. Details regarding service area, days of operation, start and end times, vehicles to be available during the hours of service, daily and annual service hours, and other information regarding Minnetonka Area Dial a Ride Transit Service are specified in the Request for Proposals (RFP) document.

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held on April 17, 2007. Details of the conference are in the RFP.

Proposals are due by 2 PM on May 1, 2007.

To obtain an RFP, contact:

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

Todd County, Minnesota

Request for Proposals for Engineering Services for the North/South Corridor with Railroad Overpass in the City of Staples Project

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Todd County, Minnesota is accepting proposals for engineering services for the North/South Corridor with Railroad Overpass Project in the City of Staples. Engineering services will include completing a scoping process of multiple design alternatives, environmental assessment/public hearing/study report process, permitting process, and final design process for the entire project. For a full copy of the Request for Proposals, please contact the contract administrator at:

Loren Fellbaum
Todd County Engineer
44 Riverside Drive
Long Prairie, MN 56347
Telephone: (320) 732-2722
Fax: (320) 732-4525
E-mail: loren.fellbaum@co.todd.mn.us

Proposals Due: 2:00 p.m. on May 17th, 2007

DBE Goal: 10%

University of Minnesota

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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 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.

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