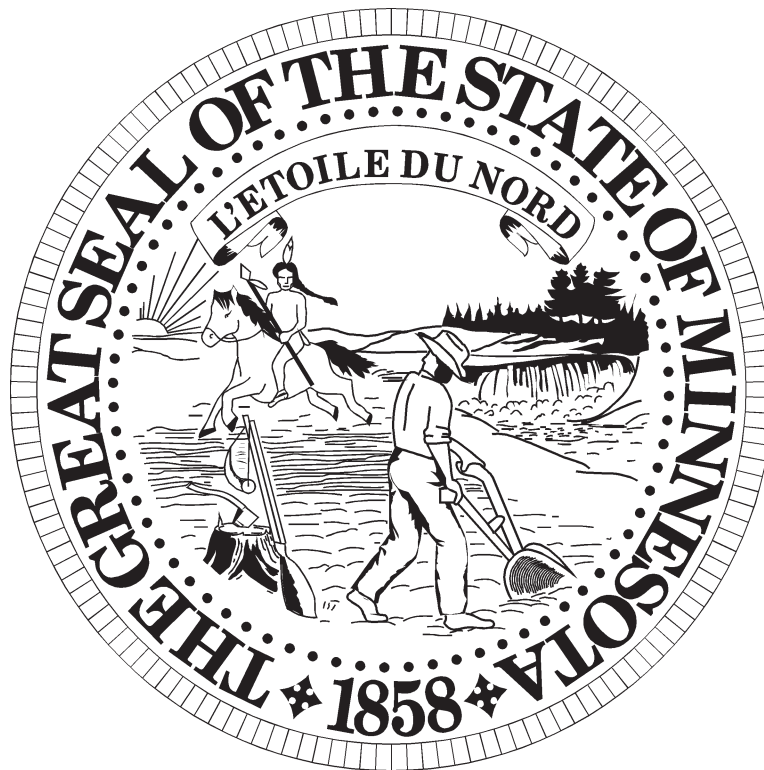


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An agency must first solicit **Comments on Planned Rules** or **Comments on Planned Rule Amendments** from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency (*Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.101). 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 Proposed emergency rules and withdrawn proposed rules are also published in the *State Register*.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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Exempt rules are excluded from the normal rulemaking procedures (*Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.386 and 14.388). They are most often of two kinds. One kind is specifically exempted by the Legislature from rulemaking procedures, but approved for form by the Revisor of Statutes, reviewed for legality by the Office of Administrative Hearings, and then published in the *State Register*. These exempt rules are effective for two years only.

The second kind of exempt rule is one adopted where an agency for good cause finds that the rulemaking provisions of *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 14 are unnecessary, impracticable, or contrary to the public interest. This exemption can be used only where the rules:

- (1) address a serious and immediate threat to the public health, safety, or welfare, or
- (2) comply with a court order or a requirement in federal law in a manner that does not allow for compliance with *Minnesota Statutes* Sections 14.14-14.28, or
- (3) incorporate specific changes set forth in applicable statutes when no interpretation of law is required, or
- (4) make changes that do not alter the sense, meaning, or effect of the rules.

These exempt rules are also reviewed for form by the Revisor of Statutes, for legality by the Office of Administrative Hearings and then published in the *State Register*. In addition, the Office of Administrative Hearings must determine whether the agency has provided adequate justification for the use of this exemption. Rules adopted under clauses (1) or (2) above are effective for two years only. The Legislature may also exempt an agency from the normal rulemaking procedures and establish other procedural and substantive requirements unique to that exemption.

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Department of Natural Resources

Adopted Exempt Permanent Game and Fish Rules: Designated Trout Streams

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above entitled rules have been adopted through the process prescribed by *Minnesota Statutes*, section 97C.005.

Dated: May 8, 2008

Mark Holsten, Commissioner
Department of Natural Resources

6264.0050 RESTRICTIONS ON DESIGNATED TROUT LAKES AND STREAMS.

[For text of subps 1 to 3, see M.R.]

Subp. 4. **Listing of designated trout streams.** The following described streams and portions of streams and their tributaries within the section specified are designated as trout streams and counties whose names appear in parentheses contain portions of those streams:

[For text of items A to P, see M.R.]

Name	Township	Location Range	Section
Q. Dakota County			

[For text of subitems (1) to (7), see M.R.]

(8) Vermillion River, South Branch	113	19	1
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Lawndale Creek	135	45	5, 6
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Proposed Rules

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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*.

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Department of Human Services

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Therapist Eligibility as Providers

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

Proposed Amendment to Rules Governing Medical Assistance (MA) Provider Services, *Minnesota Rules*, part 9505.0391

Introduction. The Minnesota Department of Human Services intends to adopt rules without a public hearing following the procedures 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 June 18, 2008, the department will hold a public hearing in room 3148, Minnesota Department of Human Services, 444 Lafayette Road N., St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, starting at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, July 11, 2008. To find out whether the department will adopt the rules without a hearing or if it will hold the hearing, you should contact the agency contact person after June 18, 2008 and before July 11, 2008.

Agency Contact Person. Submit any comments or questions on the rules or written requests for a public hearing to the agency contact person. The agency contact person is: Marsha West at Minnesota Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 64941, St. Paul, MN 55164-0941; **phone:** (651) 431-3612; **e-mail:** Marsha.West@state.mn.us; **FAX:** (651) 431-7523. **TTY** users may call the Minnesota Department of Human Services through Minnesota Relay at 711 or (800) 627-3529. For Speech-to-Speech, call (877) 627-3848.

Subject of Rules and Statutory Authority. The proposed rules are about amendments to the eligibility criteria for physical and occupational therapists, audiologists and speech language pathologists enrolled as providers in the medical assistance (MA) program. These rules are found at *Minnesota Rules*, part 9505.0391 entitled "Therapists eligible to enroll as providers." The statutory authority to adopt the rules is *Minnesota Statutes*, section 256B.04, subdivision 2. A copy of the proposed rules is published in the *State Register* and attached to this notice as mailed. You may also download a copy of the rules from the Minnesota Department of Human Services by visiting this web site and scrolling down to the section titled "Available Documents": http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/dhs16_138813

Comments. You have until 4:30 p.m. on June 18, 2008, 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

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change proposed. You are encouraged to propose any change that you desire. You must also make any comments about the legality of the proposed rules during this comment period.

Request for a Hearing. In addition to submitting comments, you may also request that the department hold a hearing on the rules. You must make your request for a public hearing in writing and must be received by the agency contact person by 4:30 p.m. on June 18, 2008. You must include your name and address in your written request. In addition, you must identify the portion of the proposed rules that you object to or state that you oppose the entire set of rules. Any request that does not comply with these requirements is not valid and the agency cannot count it when determining whether it must hold a public hearing. 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, the department will hold a public hearing unless a sufficient number of persons 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, the department can make this Notice 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 department may modify the proposed rules, either as a result of public comment or as a result of the rule hearing process. It must support modifications by data and views submitted to the agency or presented at the hearing. The adopted rules may not be substantially different than these proposed rules unless the department follows the procedure under *Minnesota Rules*, part 1400.2110. If the proposed rules affect you in any way, the department encourages you to participate in the rulemaking process.

Cancellation of Hearing. The department will cancel the hearing scheduled for July 11, 2008, if the agency does not receive requests for a hearing from 25 or more persons. If you requested a public hearing, the agency will notify you before the scheduled hearing whether the hearing will be held. You may also call the agency contact person at (651) 431-3612 after June 18, 2008 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, the department will hold a hearing following the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20. The department will hold the hearing 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 Eric L. Lipman is assigned to conduct the hearing. Judge Lipman can be reached at the Office of Administrative Hearings, P.O. Box 64620, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620; telephone: (651) 361-7842, and FAX (651) 361-7936.

Hearing Procedure. If the department holds a hearing, 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 before the hearing record closes. 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. At the hearing the Administrative Law Judge may order that this five-day comment period is extended for a longer period but not more than 20 calendar days. Following the comment period, there is a five-working-day rebuttal period when the agency and any interested person may respond in writing to any new information submitted. No one may submit additional evidence during the five-day rebuttal period. The Office of Administrative Hearings must receive all comments and responses submitted to the Administrative Law Judge 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. You may direct questions about the procedure to the Administrative Law Judge.

The agency requests that any person submitting written views or data to the Administrative Law Judge before 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. The statement of need and reasonableness 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. It is now available from the agency contact person. You may review or obtain copies the cost of reproduction by

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contacting the agency contact person. You may also download the statement of need and reasonableness from the Minnesota Department of Human Services by visiting this web site and scrolling down to the section titled "Available Documents":

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Lobbyist Registration. *Minnesota Statutes*, chapter 10A, requires each lobbyist to register with the State Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board. Ask any questions about this requirement of 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 department will submit the rules and supporting documents 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 either to receive notice of this, to receive a copy of the adopted rules, or 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 that 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 that the agency adopts the rules and the rules are filed with the Secretary of State by requesting this at the hearing or by 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: April, 9, 2008

Cal. R. Ludeman, Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Human Services

9505.0391 THERAPISTS ELIGIBLE TO ENROLL AS PROVIDERS.

A physical therapist, an occupational therapist, an audiologist, or a speech-language pathologist is eligible to enroll as a provider if the therapist complies with the requirements of part 9505.0195 ~~and maintains an office at the therapist's or pathologist's own expense.~~ Additionally, a physical therapist or occupational therapist must be ~~certified~~ enrolled by Medicare. ~~However, a service provided by an independently enrolled therapist or pathologist is not eligible for medical assistance payment under the therapist's or pathologist's provider number on a fee for service basis if the service was provided:~~

~~A. while the therapist or pathologist functioned as an employee of another provider; or~~

~~B. by another therapist or pathologist employed by the independently enrolled therapist unless the employee is a speech-language pathologist or an audiologist completing a clinical fellowship year.~~

Adopted Rules

A rule becomes effective after the requirements of *Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.05-14.28 have been met and five working days after the rule is published in the *State Register*, unless a later date is required by statutes or specified in the rule. If an adopted rule is identical to its proposed form as previously published, a notice of adoption and a citation to its previous *State Register* publication will be printed. If an adopted rule differs from its proposed form, language which has been deleted will be printed with strikeouts and new language will be underlined. The rule's previous *State Register* publication will be cited.

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

Secretary of State Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Elections

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 32, Number 26, pages 1116-1134, December 24, 2007 (32 SR 1116), are adopted with the following modifications:

8200.5100 REGISTRATION AT PRECINCT ONLY.

Subp. 3. **Additional proof of residence allowed for students.** An eligible voter may prove residence by presenting a current valid photo identification issued by a postsecondary educational institution in Minnesota if the voter's name, student identification number (if available), and address within the precinct appear on a current list of persons residing in the postsecondary educational institution's housing certified to the county auditor by the postsecondary educational institution.

This additional proof of residence for students must not be allowed unless the postsecondary educational institution submits to the county auditor no later than 60 days prior to the election a written agreement that the postsecondary educational institution will certify for use at the election accurate updated lists of persons residing in housing owned, operated, leased, or otherwise controlled by the postsecondary educational institution. A written agreement is effective for the election and all subsequent elections held in that calendar year, including the November general election which is instead governed by subpart 4.

The additional proof of residence for students must be allowed on an equal basis for voters resident in housing of any postsecondary education institution within the county, if lists certified by the postsecondary educational institution meet the requirements of this part. An updated list must be certified to the county auditor no earlier than 20 days prior to each election. The certification must be dated and signed by the chief officer or designee of the postsecondary educational institution and must state that the list is current and accurate and includes only the names of persons residing as of the date of the certification in housing controlled by the postsecondary educational institution.

The auditor shall instruct the election judges of the precinct in procedures for use of the list in conjunction with photo identification. The auditor shall supply a list to the election judges with the election supplies for the precinct.

The auditor shall notify all postsecondary educational institutions in the county of the provisions of this subpart and subpart 4.

Subp. 4. **Additional proof of residence allowed for students at November general elections.** An eligible voter may prove residence at the general election held in November of each year by presenting a current valid photo identification issued by a postsecondary educational institution in Minnesota if the voter's name, student identification number (if available), and address within the precinct appear on a list of students certified to the secretary of state by the postsecondary educational institution.

This additional proof of residence for students must not be allowed unless the postsecondary educational institution submits to the secretary of state no later than 60 days prior to the November general election an agreement that the postsecondary educational institution will certify for use at the November general election an accurate updated list of persons residing in housing owned, operated, leased, or otherwise controlled by the postsecondary educational institution.

The agreement may also include a provision that the postsecondary educational institution will certify for use at the November general election an accurate updated list of currently enrolled students who are recorded with the postsecondary educational institution as residing in Minnesota.

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The additional proof of residence must be allowed on an equal basis if lists certified by the postsecondary educational institution meet the requirements of this part.

An updated list must be certified to the secretary of state no earlier than 30 and no later than 25 days prior to the November general election, in an electronic format specified by the secretary of state. The certification must be dated and signed by the chief officer or designee of the postsecondary educational institution and must state that the list is current and accurate and includes only the names of persons residing in housing controlled by the postsecondary educational institution or, if the postsecondary educational institution agreed, currently enrolled students residing in Minnesota as of the date of certification.

The secretary of state must combine the data received from each postsecondary educational institution under this subpart and must process the data through the automated precinct-finder to determine the precinct in which the address provided for each student is located. If the data submitted by the postsecondary educational institution is insufficient for the secretary of state to determine the proper precinct, the associated student name must not appear in any list forwarded to a county auditor under this subpart. At least 14 days prior to the November general election, the secretary of state must forward to the appropriate county auditor lists of students containing the students' names and addresses for which precinct determinations have been made along with their postsecondary educational institutions. The list must be sorted by precinct and student last name and must be forwarded in an electronic format specified by the secretary of state or other mutually agreed upon medium lists provided by the secretary of state must be sorted by precinct and student last name and must be forwarded to the county auditors in an electronic format specified by the secretary of state. Alternatively, the list provided to the county auditors may be provided in another medium, if a written agreement specifying the medium is signed by the secretary of state and the county auditor at least 90 days before the November general election. A written agreement is effective for all elections until rescinded by either party.

The auditor shall instruct the election judges of the precinct in procedures for use of the list in conjunction with photo identification. The auditor shall forward to the election judges the portion of the list provided by the secretary of state corresponding to the precinct with the election supplies for that precinct.

8200.9115 FORM OF POLLING PLACE ROSTERS.

Subp. 3. **Production of rosters.** The Secretary of State shall identify and develop methods of producing polling place rosters. The Secretary of State shall provide polling place rosters for each election in the state. The roster may be provided to the county auditor in any mutually agreed upon medium rosters provided by the secretary of state must be forwarded to the county auditors in an electronic format specified by the secretary of state. Alternatively, the list provided to the county auditors may be provided in another medium, if a written agreement specifying the medium is signed by the secretary of state and the county auditor at least 90 days before the November general election. A written agreement is effective for all elections until rescinded by either party.

~~8210.9960~~ **8200.9960 CHALLENGES TO VOTER REGISTRATION, FORM TO BE USED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 204C.12, SUBDIVISION 2.**

I, _____, do hereby state under oath,
Name of person making challenge

I am:

- () an election judge.
- () a challenger authorized by Minnesota Statutes, section 204C.07.
- () a Minnesota voter.

I reside at _____, _____,
Street Address City or Township

Telephone number: _____

E-mail address (optional): _____

I challenge the registration of _____
Name of challenged voter

whose registration lists his or her residence as

Street Address City or Township

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This challenge is based on my personal knowledge. The grounds for my challenge are: _____

(attach additional sheets of signed statement if necessary).

I swear or affirm that the information stated here is truthful.

_____/_____/_____
Date Signature of Challenger

Signed and sworn to or affirmed before me

_____/_____/_____
Date Signature of Election Judge

For Election Judge Use Only:

Challenge was administered by Election Judge: _____

Time: _____

- Voter refused to take challenge oath.
- Challenge was dismissed: Voter passed challenge and voted.
- Challenge was sustained: Voter failed challenge and did not vote.

Additional Comments:

8210.0200 ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION.

Subp. 4. **Permanent application.** An eligible voter who meets the requirements in Minnesota Statutes, section 203B.04, subdivision 5 or 6, may apply to the county auditor or municipal clerk to automatically receive an absentee ballot application for each election in which the voter is eligible to vote. The county auditor shall make available the form provided by the secretary of state for this purpose. The voter shall complete the form and return it to the county auditor or municipal clerk. A municipal clerk who receives a completed application shall forward it to the county auditor immediately. The voter's permanent application status must be indicated and permanently maintained on the voter's registration record on the statewide voter registration system.

The county auditor shall maintain a list of voters who have applied to automatically receive an absentee ballot application. At least 45 days before each election, the county auditor or municipal clerk shall send an absentee ballot application to each person on the list who is eligible to vote in the election.

8210.0500 INSTRUCTIONS TO ABSENT VOTER.

Subp. 2. **Instructions for registered voters.**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ABSENTEE VOTERS

Step 1. You must have a witness to vote by absentee ballot. Your witness may be anyone who is registered to vote in Minnesota including your spouse or another relative, or they may be a notary public or person with the authority to administer oaths.

Step 2. Show your witness the unmarked ballot(s).

Step 3. Mark your votes according to the instructions on the ballot(s). Mark your ballot(s) in private. If you have a disability or are otherwise unable to mark the ballot(s), you may ask your witness to assist you. Make sure you do not vote for more candidates than allowed for any office, since this will prevent your votes for that office from being counted. If you make an error when marking your ballot, you may request a new ballot from the election official from whom you received your ballot. If you cannot request a new ballot, completely erase any errors and remark your ballot. Do not put any identifying marks on the ballot.

WHEN PARTISAN PRIMARY RACES ARE ON THE BALLOT: If you are voting in a partisan primary, you may only vote for the candidates of one party on the partisan portion of the ballot. Voting for candidates not within the same party will prevent the entire partisan portion of your primary ballot from being counted.

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Step 4. Fold and place all voted ballots in the ballot secrecy envelope and seal the envelope. Do not write on the ballot secrecy envelope.

Step 5. Place the ballot secrecy envelope into the ballot return envelope and seal the envelope.

Step 6. Print your name and address on the back of the ballot return envelope unless a label with your name and address has already been affixed. Sign your name. The name, address, and signature of your witness are required as well.

Step 7. Fold and seal the small flap on the end of the return envelope, then fold and seal the large flap that covers the form on the back of the envelope.

Step 8. Return your ballot by mail or an express service to the address on the return envelope, allowing enough time to be delivered by election day. You may also deliver it in person by 5:00 p.m. on the day before election day or have another person return your ballot by 3:00 p.m. on election day (this person cannot be a candidate and cannot return ballots for more than three voters).

In those precincts where an additional envelope is used instead of an envelope with a flap, steps 7 and 8 should read:

Step 7. Insert the ballot return envelope into the mailing envelope and seal it.

Step 8. Return your ballot by mail or an express service to the address on the mailing envelope, allowing enough time to be delivered by election day. You may also deliver it in person by 5:00 p.m. on the day before election day or have another person return your ballot by 3:00 p.m. on election day (this person cannot be a candidate and cannot return ballots for more than three voters).

Subp. 3. Instructions for unregistered voters.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ABSENTEE VOTERS (UNREGISTERED, CHALLENGED, OR INCOMPLETE REGISTRATION)

Step 1. You must have a witness to vote by absentee ballot. Your witness may be anyone who is registered to vote in Minnesota including your spouse or another relative, or they may be a notary public or person with the authority to administer oaths.

Step 2. Completely fill out the voter registration application.

Step 3. Show your witness your proof of residence in the precinct. The witness should mark the proof shown on the ballot return envelope. Any of the following may be used as proof of residence:

a. a valid Minnesota driver's license, permit, or identification card; a receipt for any of these forms that contains your current address; or a tribal identification card issued by the tribal government of a tribe recognized by the Bureau of Indian Affairs that contains your name, address, signature, and picture;

b. the signature of a registered voter (voucher) who lives in your precinct; if your witness is registered to vote in your precinct, your witness may also vouch for you;

c. if you live in certain residential facilities, the signature of an employee of the facility;

d. a notice of late registration sent to you by the county auditor or city clerk;

e. a current valid registration in the same precinct;

f. one document from the list in (i) and one photo ID from the list in (ii):

(i) A. an original bill for telephone, television, or Internet provider services, regardless of how those telephone, television, or Internet provider services are delivered, or an original bill for gas, electric, solid waste, water, or sewer services, that:

(1) shows the voter's name and current address in the precinct; and

(2) has a due date within 30 days before or after election day.

A rent statement from a landlord that itemizes utility expenses and meets the requirements of this paragraph is an original utility bill for purposes of providing proof of residence; or

B. a current student fee statement that contains the student's valid address in the precinct; and

(ii) a Minnesota driver's license or identification card, a United States passport, a United States military identification card, a student identification card issued by a Minnesota postsecondary educational institution, or a tribal identification card issued by the tribal government of a tribe recognized by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, United States Department of the Interior, that contains the individual's signature.

Step 4. Show your witness the unmarked ballot(s).

Step 5. Mark your votes according to the instructions on the ballot(s). Mark your ballot(s) in private. If you have a disability or are otherwise unable to mark the ballot(s), you may ask your witness to assist you. Make sure you do not vote for more candidates than allowed for any office, since this will prevent your votes for that office from being counted. If you make an error when marking your ballot, you may request a new ballot from the election official from whom you received your ballot. If you cannot request a new ballot, completely erase any errors and remark your ballot. Do not put any identifying marks on the ballot.

WHEN PARTISAN PRIMARY RACES ARE ON THE BALLOT: If you are voting in a partisan primary, you may only vote for the candidates of one party on the partisan portion of the ballot. Voting for candidates not within the same party will prevent the entire

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partisan portion of your primary ballot from being counted.

Step 6. Fold and place all voted ballots in the ballot secrecy envelope and seal the envelope. Do not write on the ballot secrecy envelope.

Step 7. Place the ballot secrecy envelope and your completed voter registration application into the ballot return envelope and seal the envelope.

Step 8. Print your name and address on the back of the ballot return envelope unless a label with your name and address has already been affixed. Sign your name. The name, address, and signature of your witness are also required.

Step 9. Fold and seal the small flap on the end of the return envelope, then fold and seal the large flap that covers the form on the back of the envelope.

Step 10. Return your ballot by mail or an express service to the address on the return envelope, allowing enough time to be delivered by election day. You may also deliver it in person by 5:00 p.m. on the day before election day or have another person return your ballot by 3:00 p.m. on election day (this person cannot be a candidate and cannot return ballots for more than three voters).

In those precincts where an additional envelope is used instead of an envelope with a flap, steps 9 and 10 should read:

Step 9. Insert the ballot return envelope into the mailing envelope and seal it.

Step 10. Return your ballot by mail or an express service to the address on the mailing envelope, allowing enough time to be delivered by election day. You may also deliver it in person by 5:00 p.m. on the day before election day or have another person return your ballot by 3:00 p.m. on election day (this person cannot be a candidate and cannot return ballots for more than three voters).

Vetoed Rules

The governor may veto all or a severable portion of a rule of an agency as defined in *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 14.02, subdivisions 2 and 4, by submitting notice of the veto to the *State Register* within 14 days of receiving a copy of the rule from the secretary of state under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 14.16, subdivision 3, 14.26, subdivision 3, or 14.386 or the agency under section 14.389, subdivision 3, or section 14.3895. The veto is effective when the veto notice is submitted to the *State Register*. This authority applies only to the extent that the agency itself would have authority, through rulemaking, to take such action. If the governor vetoes a rule or portion of a rule under this section, the governor shall notify the chairs of the legislative committees having jurisdiction over the agency whose rule was vetoed.

Office of the Governor

Notice of Veto of Adopted Rules from the Office of Secretary of State

A copy of the Secretary of State's Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Elections was received by the Office of the Governor on April 18, 2008.

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes 2006*, Section 14.05, subdivision 6, the following severable portions of rules are vetoed:

Rule 8200.5100, Subpart 1. E

Rule 8200.5100, Subpart 4

Rule 8200.9939 – the portions of the Form of Oath related to employees of a residential facility. This portion of the rule is set forth on page 13, lines 13.8 through 13.15 of the adopted rules approved by the Revisor.

Minnesota Statutes contain very specific statutory requirements in relation to use of residential facilities employees to vouch for patients and for the use of student identification cards for purposes of election-day voter registration. The proposed rules create "alternative" procedures that do not contain the same rigor or procedural safeguards as the specific statutory requirements. If the statutory requirements and safeguards are inadequate, changes should occur through the legislative process rather than agency rulemaking.

Vetoed: May 2, 2008

Governor Tim Pawlenty

cc: Mr. Mark Ritchie, Secretary of State
Senator Ann Rest, Chair, State and Local Government Operations and Oversight Committee
Representative Gene Pelowski, Jr., Chair, Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections Committee

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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 Agriculture

Pesticide and Fertilizer Management Division

Notice of Intent to Revise Water Quality Best Management Practices for Acetochlor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) intends to revise the February 2004 "Water Quality Best Management Practices for Acetochlor," as well as those portions of the February 2004 "Water Quality Best Management Practices for Agricultural Herbicides" affected by such revisions. The revision process will also be used to generally update all water quality pesticide Best Management Practices (BMPs) with respect to references, product lists, technical terms and other information. Copies of current BMPs (reprinted in February 2008) are available at <http://www.mda.state.mn.us/herbicidebmps>

In February 2004, the MDA issued a set of water quality BMPs for all agricultural herbicides, and also issued specific BMPs for the corn herbicide active ingredient acetochlor. Specific BMPs were also issued for the active ingredients alachlor, atrazine, metolachlor and metribuzin. These actions were supported by work begun in 2002, and by authorities outlined in the March 24, 2003 issue of the *State Register*. The BMPs were developed following the process outlined in MDA's Pesticide Management Plan (PMP) for the Protection of Groundwater and Surface Water, and with input from pesticide registrants, commodity groups, University of Minnesota scientists, Natural Resources and Conservation Service scientists, Soil and Water Conservation District staff, environmental organizations and other interested parties. The BMPs have been promoted throughout the Minnesota agricultural community, and their adoption and effectiveness are evaluated through a variety of means. In evaluating BMP effectiveness and the need for any pesticide management restrictions, the MDA places considerable emphasis on comparing water quality monitoring data to concentration limits associated with human health and aquatic life risk information provided by the Minnesota Department of Health and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA).

In December of 2007, the MPCA adopted surface water standards for acetochlor which, along with evaluations of MDA water quality monitoring data in several agricultural watersheds, resulted in proposed impairment listings under the federal Clean Water Act for two southern Minnesota rivers. The proposed listings are based on four-day sustained exceedances, twice in a period of three years, of the acetochlor chronic standard for aquatic plant life (3.6 µg/L). The documented exceedances occurred early in the growing season, after acetochlor application and subsequent to rainfall events in specific years. The proposed impairment listings, along with work conducted by the Acetochlor Registration Partnership indicating potential causes of acetochlor losses from fields to surface water, led the MDA to consider revising the February 2004 "Water Quality Best Management Practices for Acetochlor," as well as those portions of the February 2004 "Water Quality Best Management Practices for Agricultural Herbicides" affected by such revisions. While the revision process is,

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in part, a response to the proposed acetochlor impairment listings, it is also intended to reduce acetochlor impacts to surface water and prevent impairments in all rivers, streams and lakes.

Specifically, the MDA has identified a need to revise the BMPs by focusing on:

- application setbacks or vegetative buffers along rivers, near lakes, around standpipes in tile-drained fields, and around other potential field runoff drainage conveyances — specifically, the MDA seeks methods of calculating or estimating necessary application setback distances or vegetative buffer widths to prevent or minimize herbicide runoff losses to adjacent surface waters;
- reduced herbicide rates associated with changes in weed management in herbicide-resistant crops; and
- herbicide application technologies.

The MDA will revise the BMPs following the process outlined in MDA's PMP. After seeking information from acetochlor product registrants, commodity groups and user groups, and after conducting literature reviews and consulting with local water planning authorities and University of Minnesota weed scientists, a draft revision of the BMPs will be prepared and distributed for comment to interested parties via the MDA's pesticide non-point source email listserv. To subscribe to this listserv, refer to instructions below.

Announcements regarding the opportunity for public comment on the draft BMPs will be made through the State Register and through the MDA's non-point source email listserv. General information regarding the BMP revisions will be disseminated through the listserv. To subscribe to MDA's non-point source email listserv, visit <http://www.mda.state.mn.us/protecting/bmps/herbicidebmps.htm#listserv>

Additional information related to the BMP development process and opportunities for public comment can be obtained from the PMP beginning on page 51, available on-line at <http://www.mda.state.mn.us/news/publications/protecting/waterprotection/pmp-nov2007.pdf>

Additional information on the proposed acetochlor impairment listings can be found at:

<http://www.pca.state.mn.us/publications/wq-iw1-14.pdf>

Interested parties or groups may direct inquiries or comments about this notice to:

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Department of Commerce

Energy and Telecommunications Division

Office of Energy Assistance Programs

Notice of Public Hearing and Comment Period for the FFY2009 Energy Assistance Program, Minnesota Department of Commerce

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO COMMENT on the proposed Minnesota state plan for the Energy Assistance Program for federal fiscal year 2009 at a public hearing or through written comment. The hearing will be held June 25, 2008, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Room 300 North, State Office Building, 100 Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd., St. Paul. Written comment must be received at the address below by 5:00 p.m. on June 25, 2008.

The FFY 2009 Energy Assistance Plan describes how federal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) funds will be used to help low-income households reduce their energy burdens. Comments received at the public hearing and in writing during the comment period will be considered in the development of the state plan. The proposed state plan is available May 23, 2008, for viewing

or downloading at www.commerce.state.mn.us, the main site for the Minnesota Department of Commerce. In the right column, click on "Draft LIHEAP State Plan."

Written comments may be sent to:

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Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association Notice of Meeting of the Finance Committee on May 21, 2008

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association's (MCHA), Finance Committee will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 21, 2008. The meeting will take place at the MCHA executive office located at 5775 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 910, St. Louis Park, MN.

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

Department of Human Services Disability Services Division Notice of Reduction in Medical Assistance Rates for Late Personal Care Reassessments Provided by Public Health Nurses

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to recipients and enrollees, providers of services under the Medical Assistance (MA) Program, and to the public, of a reduction in the MA payment rate for late personal care reassessments provided by public health nurses. This notice is published pursuant to 42 CFR §447.205, which requires public notice of significant proposed changes in methods and standards for setting payment rates for fee-for-service MA services.

Effective July 1, 2008, there will be a 25% reduction in the MA rates for personal care reassessments and service updates provided by public health nurses who fail to complete them on time and fail to submit the service agreement documentation in time to continue services. Written comments and requests for information may be sent to:

Christine Davis
Disability Services Division
Minnesota Department of Human Services
P.O. Box 64967
St. Paul, MN 55164-0967
E-mail: dhs.qapcaproviders@state.mn.us

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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 rates are determined in accordance with *Minnesota Statutes*, §246.50, subdivision 5.

Effective for admissions occurring during State Fiscal Year 2009 (July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009), the inpatient payment rate of each Regional Treatment Center will be adjusted by the indicated percentage:

DPA ADJUSTMENT	
<u>Facility</u>	<u>SFY 2009</u>
Anoka	17.18%
Willmar	13.87%

Due to legislative action, the following proposed MA payment rates are subject to change. Final rates for State Fiscal Year 2009 will be published prior to July 1, 2008.

Adult Mental Health Services

Anoka-Metro Regional Treatment Center	\$670
Anoka Transition Services	\$287
Community Behavioral Health Hospitals	\$904
Willmar Regional Treatment Center ¹	\$1,066

¹ Willmar RTC is expected to close by August 1, 2008

Forensic Services

Adolescent/Young Adult Services	\$586
Minnesota Extended Treatment Options	\$906
Minnesota Security Hospital	\$500
Forensic Transition Services	\$310
Treat to Competency (@ Anoka)	\$276

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.

State Board of Investment

Meeting Notice of the State Board of Investment's Administrative Committee May 21, 2008

The State Board of Investment Administrative Committee will meet immediately following the Proxy Voting Committee on Wednesday, May 21, 2008 that begins at 9:00 A.M. in the State Board of Investment Conference Room, 60 Empire Drive, Suite 355 St. Paul, MN

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Public Hearings to Consider Adjustments to Regional Transit Fares

The Metropolitan Council will hold a series of public hearings to consider adjusting transit fares effective October 1, 2008. If adopted, the changes would help the regional transit system respond to rapidly rising fuel costs and lower-than-anticipated state revenues from the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax. Revenues from fare adjustments would help address a projected shortfall of nearly \$15 million in 2009 and anticipated shortfalls in the next biennium.

Adjustments considered at the hearings would apply to fares on all routes operated by regional transit providers, including Metro Transit, suburban and contract providers, Metro Mobility and Dial-a-Ride services.

Comments must be received by 4 p.m., Friday, July 25, 2008. The Council encourages people who prefer to make comments in person to attend one of the hearings listed below. Others may address comments to the Regional Data Center (Data Center) using any of the following methods:

E-mail: Data.center@metrocouncil.org

Comment line: (651) 602-1500

TTY: (651) 291-0904

Postal mail: 390 N. Robert Street

St. Paul, MN 55101

Fax: (651) 602-1464

Free copies of the proposal will be available to the public no later than June 27. Proposals may be obtained online at www.metrocouncil.org; printed copies will be available at Metro Transit Stores and the Data Center.

PUBLIC HEARINGS TO CONSIDER ADJUSTMENTS TO REGIONAL TRANSIT FARES will be held at the following times and locations:

- **Monday, July 7: 5:30 p.m. — 6:30 p.m.**
Northtown Mall Community Room, 398 Northtown Drive, Blaine
Served by Regional Transit Routes 10, 25, 805, 824, 831, 852, 854, 860
- **Tuesday, July 8: 6:30 — 7:30 p.m.**
Hopkins Center for the Arts Jaycee Studio, 1111 Main Street, Hopkins
Served by Routes 12, 612
- **Wednesday, July 9: Noon — 1:00 p.m.**
Minneapolis City Hall Room 333, 350 South Fifth Street, Minneapolis
Served by Routes 3, 5, 7, 9, 14, 16, 19, 22, 24, 50, 55, 94
- **Wednesday, July 9: 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.**
Burnsville City Hall Chambers, 100 Civic Center Parkway, Burnsville
Served by Routes 426 Shuttle, 465

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- **Thursday, July 10: 6:30 — 7:30 p.m.**
Maplewood Community Center, 2100 White Bear Avenue, Maplewood
Served by Routes 64, 80
- **Tuesday, July 15: Noon — 1:00 p.m.**
Metropolitan Council Chambers, 390 Robert Street North, St. Paul
Served by Routes 16, 21, 50, 53, 54, 61, 63, 64, 65, 68, 70, 71, 74, 94

Public comments at the hearings may be limited to 3-5 minutes per speaker. Contact the data center (see “comments,” above) to indicate in advance that you wish to speak, or to request accommodations for more meaningful participation. Two weeks advance notice, indicating the language or specific accommodation needed, is appreciated. Please include the date, place and time of the hearing you will attend. For questions please telephone (651) 602-1140.

Metropolitan Council Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) Public Hearing on the Proposed 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area

The Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) of the Metropolitan Council will hold a public hearing on June 18, 2008 to receive public reaction to the proposed 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. The program will include highway, transit, bikeway and pedestrian enhancements and air quality projects that are proposed for federal funding in the seven-county metropolitan area in the next four years. The TIP includes the recommended projects selected through the 2007 Regional Solicitation process for federal transportation funds. The program is prepared annually in accordance with federal requirements and must contain all projects that are to be implemented with federal transportation funding assistance. This TIP also contains Metropolitan Council’s program of projects (POP) which includes transit projects for Metro Transit, Metro Mobility, contracted services and Opt Outs. This hearing fulfills Federal Transit Administration’s (FTA) public participation requirements for the POP.

Public Hearing for comments on TIP

Wednesday, June 18, 2008 – 3:00 p.m.
Metropolitan Council Chambers
390 North Robert Street
St. Paul, Minnesota

The TIP is prepared jointly by the Metropolitan Council and the Minnesota Department of Transportation. Projects contained in the TIP reflect the region’s priorities and help implement the region’s transportation plan. All specific projects are assumed to have independent utility and are fully funded unless noted otherwise in the project description. The projects in aggregate have been analyzed to determine impact on regional air quality. Progress made on implementing the region’s transportation plan will be reported in the TIP and at the public hearing. The program will be adopted by the Transportation Advisory Board and approved by the Metropolitan Council. Upon request, the Council will provide reasonable accommodations to persons with disabilities. In addition to providing oral or written comments at the public hearing, comments may be made several ways:

- Written comments to: Kevin Roggenbuck, Metropolitan Council, 390 North Robert St., St. Paul, MN 55101
- Fax comments to Kevin Roggenbuck, (651) 602-1739
- Record comments on the Council’s Public Information Line: (651) 602-1500
- Send comments electronically to : data.center@metc.state.mn.us

Comments must be received by **4:00 p.m., Monday, July 7, 2008**. Free copies of the draft 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program will be available on May 19, 2008, at the Council’s Regional Data Center. Call (651) 602-1140 or TTY (651) 291-0904 to request a copy. The main body of the TIP will be available for review on May 19, 2008 at the Metropolitan Council’s website at: www.metrocouncil.org/services/transportation.htm. Schematic location maps are included on the website of the regionally recommended projects to be programmed in 2011 and 2012 with federal funds and the major transportation projects funded in the TIP. Other background

materials describing the Council's transportation planning and programming efforts also are available.

Questions about the hearings or transportation assumptions and technical materials may be directed to Kevin Roggenbuck, (651) 602-1728, or Carl Ohrn (651) 602-1719, Metropolitan Council, 390 North Robert St., St. Paul, MN 55101.

Department of Natural Resources Notice of Availability of Contract for Bear Lake

CERTIFICATION # 15472
Amount of proposed contract: \$49,000

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is requesting proposals for the purpose of seeking information to better understand the relationship between surface and sub-surface water; specifically, the relationship between Bear Lake (PWI 24-28, Sec., 7,8, 16-21, T101N, R2W) water levels and soil moisture levels in the surrounding uplands and the Winnebago watershed of Freeborn County, Minnesota.

Work is proposed to start after June 23, 2008.

A Request for Proposal will be available by mail from this office through June 4, 2008. **A written request (by direct mail or fax) is required to receive the Request for Proposal.** After June 4, 2008, the Request for Proposal must be picked up in person.

The Request for Proposal can be obtained from:

Paul Hansen, Assistant Regional Wildlife Manager, Region IV
Department of Natural Resources, Section of Wildlife
261 Highway 15 South, New Ulm, MN 56073
Fax: (507) 359-6018
E-mail: *Paul.Hansen@dnr.state.mn.us*

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received at the address above no later than 3:00 p.m., Central Daylight Time, June 10, 2008. **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.

Minnesota Public Utilities Commission Decisions on Great River Energy's Elk River Station Project: Environmental Impact Statement Adequacy; Site Designation and Site Permit

At a meeting on April 24, 2008, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) determined that the Environmental Impact Statement for the GRE Elk River Station Project was adequate. The Commission also designated a site and issued a Site Permit for the proposed large electric power generating plant (LEPGP). The site is located on GRE's campus in Elk River, Sherburne County, Minnesota. The Elk River campus currently includes Elk River Station, a Refuse-Derived-Fuel (RDF) combustor that co-produces electricity, and GRE's corporate offices.

On May 8, 2008, the Commission issued an Order adopting the ALJ's report, as amended and granting GRE a Site Permit to construct a large electric power generating plant.

The facility will use natural gas as its primary fuel and ultra-low sulfur distillate fuel oil as its backup fuel. The preferred project site

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is on GRE's campus in Elk River, Sherburne County, Minnesota. The proposed project consists of a single natural gas-fired simple-cycle combustion turbine generator (CT) with a nominal summer generating capacity of 175 MW and other associated facilities.

If you have any questions about this project or would like more information, please contact the Department of Commerce project manager: Bill Storm, 85 7th Place East, Suite 500, St. Paul, MN 55155. **Telephone:** (651) 296-9535; **e-mail:** bill.storm@state.mn.us

Dated: May 9, 2008

Minnesota Department of Transportation Notice of Joint Public Hearing on Preliminary Design Plans for the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Project

The Minnesota Department of Transportation, the Hennepin County Regional Rail Authority and Ramsey County Regional Rail Authority will conduct a joint public hearing from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, May 29, 2008, at Goodwill/Easter Seals, 553 Fairview Avenue N., St. Paul, Minnesota 55104.

At the hearing the public will have an opportunity to make comments regarding the preliminary design plans for the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit project. Prior to the public hearing there will be an open house from 4-5 p.m., where staff will be available to answer questions regarding the project.

Public review copies of the preliminary design plans will be available at several locations. Please go to www.centralcorridor.org for specific addresses where the public can review the preliminary design plans.

For sign language interpreting service or other special needs accommodations, call (651) 602-1457.

State Grants & Loans

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

Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development Business and Community Development Division Small Cities Development Program Notice of the Availability of Funds for the Greater Minnesota Business Development Infrastructure (BDPI) Grant Program – Specific Only to the Allocation of Funds Listed Below

This notice is to inform Eligible Applicants that in accordance to *Laws 2008*, Chapter 179, Section 21, Subd. 2, that on April 7, 2008, the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) received a capital bonding appropriation of \$1,750,000 from the Minnesota state legislature for the Greater Minnesota Business Development Infrastructure (BDPI) Grant Program specifically targeting projects that use Minnesota biomass energy products to conserve energy and reduce reliance on electricity, oil and natural gas.

Eligible Applicants/Locations/Funding Limits: DEED will provide funds in the form of a grant to Eligible Applicants, which are defined as Minnesota school districts, municipalities and counties located outside of the seven-county metropolitan area. Cities that border the seven-county metropolitan area that are not within the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Council such as Northfield, Hanover, Rockford, and New Prague are Eligible Applicants as well.

A general funding award limit has been established at \$250,000 with a minimum local match of 1 to 1. DEED will consider proposals requesting funds in excess of this limit (not to exceed \$500,000) provided the local match exceeds 1 to 1.

Eligible Activities: The Program can fund up to 50% of the total project cost to build infrastructure improvements that use Minnesota biomass energy products to conserve energy and reduce reliance on electricity, oil and natural gas.

Application Requirements:

Applications must be received by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development on or before 4:30 PM, Thursday, June 26th, 2008. Eligible Applicants are required to provide up to 50 percent (50%) of the total project costs.

For specific Program information and/or an Application, contact:

Reed Erickson, Small Cities Program Director,
Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development
1st National Bank Building
332 Minnesota Street, Suite E200
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1351
Contact: Reed Erickson, (651) 259-7456, or
E-mail: Reed.erickson@state.mn.us

DEED will have information on the Program on their website as well.

Applicants will be notified of their award status no later than July 25th, 2008. For awarded projects signed and executed contracts must be returned to DEED by August 5th, 2008.

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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

anything above \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a minimum of at least 21 calendar days

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Department of Administration

Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Designer Selection for: New Intake and Receiving Building- MCF Faribault (State Designer Selection Board Project No. 08-03)

The State of Minnesota, Department of Administration 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 Department of Administration's Real Estate and Construction Services website:
<http://www.admin.state.mn.us/recs/cs/cs.html>,

click on "Solicitation Announcements."

A copy of the pre-design is available for review at the Real Estate and Construction Services offices at 309 Administration Building 50 Sherburne Ave, St. Paul, MN.

A mandatory informational meeting is tentatively scheduled for **10:00 Monday May 19, 2008 at MCF Faribault**. All firms interested in this meeting should contact Bruce Reiser, MCF-FRB Project Manager to sign up to attend the meeting. When attending the meeting bring a driver's license for identification. Participants will be required to walk through a metal detector; no cell phones, knives, firearms, lighters, tobacco products will be allowed.

Proposals must be delivered to Alisha Cowell, Executive Secretary, State Designer Selection Board, 200 Administration Building in the

Commissioner's Office, 50 Sherburne Ave., St. Paul, MN 55155; phone: (651) 201-2627 not later than 1:00 P.M., Tuesday, May 27, 2008. Late responses will not be considered.

The Department of Administration 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.

State Department of Administration University of Minnesota Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Designer Selection for: Livingston Lord Library State Designer Selection Board Project No. 08-04

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, on behalf of Minnesota State University Moorhead, 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 Minnesota State Colleges Universities website,
<http://www.finance.mnscu.edu/facilities/index.html> click on "Announcements."

A copy of the pre-design is available for review at <http://www.finance.mnscu.edu/facilities/index.html>. An informational meeting is scheduled for 10:00 AM, Tuesday May 27, 2008 in Owens Hall, Room 201, on the Minnesota State University Moorhead campus, 1104 7th Ave South, Moorhead, MN 56563 All firms interested in this meeting should contact Gwen Johanson , at (218) 477-2074 or johansgw@mstate.edu to sign up to attend the meeting. Project questions will also be taken by this individual.

Proposals must be delivered to Alisha Cowell, Executive Secretary, State Designer Selection Board, 200 Administration Building in the Commissioner's Office, 50 Sherburne Ave., St. Paul, MN 55155; **phone:** (651) 201-2627 not later than 1:00 P.M., June 3, 2008. 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 its best interest.

Department of Administration Real Estate and Construction Services Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal for AutoCAD Services and Drawings

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Administration is requesting proposals from interested, qualified consultants for the purpose of creating AutoCAD drawings of State owned facilities throughout the State of Minnesota, consisting of approximately 6,500,000 square feet of space.

The entire Request for Proposal is available on the Department of Administration's Real Estate and Construction Services website:
<http://www.admin.state.mn.us/recs/cs/cs.html> Click on "Solicitation Announcements"

Work is proposed to start after execution of a contract.

Questions regarding the Request for Proposal must be in writing and submitted by 2:30 p.m. on Friday, May 30, 2008 to:

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Fred J. Anderson
Minnesota Department of Administration
Real Estate and Construction Services
50 Sherburne Avenue, Room 309
St. Paul, MN 55155
Fax: (651) 215-6245
E-mail: *Fred.J.Anderson@state.mn.us*

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposal in this advertisement must be received at the address above no later than 2:30 p.m., Central Time, Tuesday, June 10, 2008. **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.

Department of Administration Real Estate Management Division Notice of State Real Property in Gilbert, Minnesota for Sale

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Administration is offering for sale by sealed bid the real property located at 115 Florida Avenue West in Gilbert. The property includes a two-bedroom, one-bath, one-story house with a two-car detached garage. The minimum bid is \$50,500. To obtain a copy of the complete bid package, visit www.admin.state.mn.us/recs/sas/sas-psl.html, send an **e-mail:** to *susan.maki@state.mn.us*, or call (651) 201-2549. Written bids must be received no later than 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 19, 2008.

Department of Agriculture Farm Advocate Program Notice of Requests for Proposals for Minnesota Farm Advocates

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture announces the availability of contracts for farm advocates for the period of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. Applicants must be farmers or former farmers; be familiar with or experienced in farm financial planning (cash flows through financial statements); be knowledgeable of farmers' borrowers rights and responsibilities with the ability to comprehend state and federal rules and regulations governing agricultural credit; have good communication skills (written, oral and listening); and have compassion for and interest in helping other farmers. Resumes will be accepted through May 30, 2008.

For more information, contact:

Jim Boerboom, Deputy Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Agriculture
625 Robert St. No.
St. Paul, MN 55155
Phone: (651) 201-6395

Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board Notice of Request for Qualifications from Design Professionals to Design the New Minnesota Memorial to Special Forces in Laos

The Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board (CAAPB) is seeking design professionals (architects, landscape architects, or artists) or teams of individuals, including at least one Minnesota licensed design professional, to design the new MN Memorial to Special Forces in Laos on the State Capitol Mall. The Memorial is to include a sculptural form in either stone or bronze.

Once all responses to the RFQ have been reviewed, the CAAPB and their advisory group for the project, including design professionals and friends will select between three to four parties who will then be invited to submit design proposals.

Selection of the final design is scheduled to occur by May 2008. The full budget including design and construction, as well as a maintenance reserve (at ten percent of construction) for the memorial is \$450,000, of which only \$150,000 in state monies is currently available. Further design work and construction is anticipated to start by early-to-mid 2009, dependent upon private fundraising efforts.

Interested parties must submit:

- A letter of interest
- Identification and background of all team members.
- A collection of no more than twelve slides representing past work in an outdoors environment.
- A list of three professional references.

All responses must be received by 3:00 p.m. (CDT), Friday, June 13, 2008. Contact person:

Paul Mandell, Project Manager
Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board
204 Administration Building
50 Sherburne Avenue
Saint Paul MN 55155
Phone: (651)757-1507
Fax: (651) 296-6718

Nancy Stark, Executive Secretary
Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board (CAAPB)

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Anoka Technical College Request for Proposals on Wireless Services Infrastructure for Anoka Technical College

GENERAL STATEMENT/SCOPE:

Anoka Technical College is seeking proposals to expand or replace their existing CISCO based wireless services (Hardware and Software infrastructure) connected to a CISCO based LAN. The updated system will meet current connectivity needs of students, faculty and guests using a roll based user authentication approach based on Active Directory services. This system will enhance both the points of access on campus not currently served but will also provide up-to-date service and management features relevant to a Higher Educational setting and effective IT service operations. The system should be positioned for future group needs in the areas of alternative device connectivity such as VoIP, unified messaging and emergency notifications to potential user devices. Primary system outcomes include 1) easy internet accessible wireless network access to meet campus user's educational needs, 2) features to ensure system stability to meet productivity needs, 3) secure configuration to meet MnSCU board policies and college requirements, 4) expandable platform robustness that allows growth for future system needs, and 5) cost effective system implementation and ongoing support and maintenance to align with college mission and goals.

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Timeline in RFP include the following:

Mandatory on-site visit/meeting:	Tuesday, May 27, 2008, 1:00pm CST at Anoka Technical College, 1355 West Hwy 10, Anoka, MN 55303, Conference Room: 179
Deadline for questions (email or fax to Pamela Mogensen):	Wednesday, May 28, 2008, 2:00pm CST
Posted Responses to Questions:	Thursday, May 29, 2008
Deadline for RFP submission:	Thursday, June 5, 2008, 2:00pm CST
Complete selection process:	Thursday, June 12, 2008
Deadline for executing contract:	Wednesday, June 25, 2008

TO RECEIVE A COMPLETE COPY OF THE PROPOSAL REQUEST/SPECS, PLEASE CONTACT:

PAMELA MOGENSEN
Phone: (763) 576-4785
Fax: (763) 576-4715
E-mail: pmogensen@anokatech.edu

Proposals must be sealed with a notation on the outside of the envelope stating:

WIRELESS SERVICES INFRASTRUCTURE PROPOSAL – DELIVER IMMEDIATELY.

Mail or deliver (faxes will not be accepted) sealed proposal by THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 2008, NO LATER THAN 2 PM CST to:

Anoka Technical College
Purchasing Office, Attn. Pamela Mogensen
1355 West Highway 10, Room 190
Anoka, Minnesota 55303
Phone (763) 576-4785

PROPOSAL CLOSE DATE IS THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 2008 – 2 PM CST

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Central Lakes College Solicitation for Bid for Driver Training Simulator

Central Lakes College is soliciting bids for a Driver Training Simulator. Detail specifications may be obtained by contacting Nancy Schmidt at (218) 894-5136. Bids will be accepted at the Staples Campus until 1:00 PM on Friday, May 23, 2008 at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Faxed bids will be accepted provided hard copies are received within 48 hours of the bid time.

All bids must be sealed and marked "BID FOR DRIVER TRAINING SIMULATOR".

Submit bids to:

Central Lakes College
ATTN: Debbie Sterriker
1830 Airport Rd
Staples, MN 56479
Fax: (218) 894-5186

The college reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any information or irregularities in the bidding and to make the award serving the best interest of the college.

Central Lakes College is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer and educator. These materials are available in alternative formats to individuals with disabilities upon request. If you use a TTY, call the Minnesota Relay Service at 800-627-3529 and request contact to Central Lakes College.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)**Office of the Chancellor****Request for Bids for 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 30, 2008, 2:00 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)**Dakota County Technical College****Request for Proposals for the Purchase of Semi Trailer Graphic Wraps**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Dakota County Technical College will receive proposals for the purchase of Semi Trailer Graphic Wraps. Specifications are available by contacting Pat Adams at (651) 423-8236 or by e-mailing: Patricia.Adams@dctc.edu

Sealed proposals must be received by Pat Adams at Dakota County Technical College, 1300 145th St East, Rosemount, MN 55068 by 2:00 pm, Tuesday, June 3, 2008.

Dakota County Technical College reserves the right to reject any or all bids or portions thereof, or to waive any irregularities or informalities in bids received.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)**South Central College****Bids Sought for a Modified Downdraft Pitless Spray Booth for Automobiles**

South Central College is seeking bids for a modified downdraft pitless spray booth for our auto body and collision technology program. General required specifications are as follows:

1. Unit should be able to be classified as a modified downdraft ETL listed spray booth.
2. Construction should include an air make-up unit integrated into the cabin to save floor space and should be configured for drive-thru operation.
3. Dimensions are 31' 10 7/8" in length, 13' 6 5/8" in width, 10' 10" booth height and 12' 11 7/8" in height with the motors.
4. Heated air makeup with ETL listed intake/exhaust. 997,000 BTU direct fired burner and 100 degree temperature rise in spray cycle.
5. 12,000 cfm intake and exhaust fans.
6. Observation window on side wall with one window panel for one 9' section.
7. Supply ductwork with the understanding that installation of the ductwork will be done internally by the college. Intake to measure 30" x 30" x 8' and exhaust to measure 25" x 25" x 16'.

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8. Waterborne drying solution with 3 propeller fans designed to focus more air flow at a faster velocity directly over the vehicle during flash times as well as bake cycle.
9. We would ask that the bid provide for delivery and unloading of the product, product assembly at the college site, and initial training on the equipment.

Additional technical questions concerning this bid should be directed to Mr. Alan Kunz at (507) 389-7215 or e-mail at alan.kunz@southcentral.edu. Bid solicitation forms and instructions can be obtained by contacting Mr. Doug Midthun at (507) 389-7287 or e-mail at doug.midthun@southcentral.edu.

Sealed bids should be received by the college prior to 2:00 pm on June 10, 2008. Bids will be opened at that time. South Central College reserves the right to reject any or all bids received.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) St. Cloud State University Advertisement for Bid for Student Legal Services

Sealed proposals for services hereinafter described will be received by St. Cloud State University at the Business Services Office, AS 122, St. Cloud Minnesota until **3:00 PM on May 28, 2008** and will be publicly opened and read aloud. The right is reserved to accept or reject any or all bids or parts of bids and to waive informalities therein.

Bids are requested for **Student Legal Services** as per Request for Proposal available in the Business Services Office, St. Cloud State University.

For further information contact:

Lisa Sparks
Director of Purchasing
St. Cloud State University – AS 122
720 4th Ave. South
St. Cloud, MN 56301-4498
Phone: (320) 308-4788, or
Doris Frieler: (320) 308-4001

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) St. Cloud Technical College Request for Bid (RFB) for Refurbished Sonography Machine

RESPONSE DUE DATE AND TIME: Monday, June 2nd, 2008 2:00 p.m.

TITLE OF FORM REQUEST FOR BID: Refurbished Sonography Machine Bid Request

THE COMPLETE REQUEST FOR BID WILL BE AVAILABLE ON: Monday, May 19, 2008 on the Website: <http://www.sctc.edu/rfp>.

GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION REQUIREMENTS: Delivery to St. Cloud Technical College, 1540 Northway Drive, St. Cloud, MN 56303

RESPONSES MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE LOCATION LISTED BELOW:

Agency: St. Cloud Technical College
Address: 1540 Northway Drive
City, State Zip: St. Cloud, MN 56303

Contact Name:	Susan Meyer Room 1-401	Questions:	Jeff Gunderson
Phone:	(320) 308-5973	Phone:	(320) 308-0971
Fax:	(320) 308-5027	Fax:	(320) 308-5027
E-mail:	<i>smeyer@sctc.edu</i>	E-mail:	<i>jgunderson@sctc.edu</i>

Your response to this Request for Bid (RFB) must be returned sealed. Sealed responses must be received no later than the due date and time specified above, at which time the names of the vendors responding to this RFB will be read. **Late responses** cannot be considered and the responses will be rejected.

The laws of Minnesota and MnSCU Board of Trustees policies and procedures apply to this RFB.

All attached General RFB Terms and Conditions, Specifications and Special Terms and Conditions are part of this RFB and will be incorporated into any contract(s) entered into as a result of this RFB.

All responses to this RFB must be prepared as stated herein and properly signed. **Address all correspondence and inquiries regarding this RFB to the Contact person named above. This is a request for responses to an RFB and is not a purchase order.**

Refurbished Ultrasound Machine Bid Request

Minimum Specifications:

- All digital 9,216 Channel System with Broad Band Beam forming
- PW/CW Doppler, Color Doppler/Color Power Angio
- Triplex, Dual and Duplex capabilities
- Sono CT Realtime Compound Imaging
- XRES Adaptive Imaging Processing
- Sector array transducer with ability to be shared between general Sonography and Echocardiography
- Linear array transducer to be used for superficial structures and vascular systems
- Curved array transducer to be used for abdomen and OB/GYN scanning
- Continuous dynamic focus on all transducers
- Tissue harmonic imaging
- 3D imaging
- Adjustable control panel and monitor
- Multi session CD/RW drive
- Cardiac, Vascular and General Imaging OB/GYN SW application
- Operator Manual
- 12 month warranty on parts and labor
- Black and White Thermal Printer

Installation and/or set up charges should be a separate line item.

Shipping/Delivery cost must be included as a separate line item.

Estimate delivery time expressed as number of days

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Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Winona State University Request for Proposals for a Cable TV Service Contract

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Winona State University is seeking proposals for a Cable TV Service Contract.

There will be an interested vendor meeting at 1-3:00 PM CST Wednesday, May 28, 2008 in Somsen 1100 Conference Room on the WSU main campus.

Proposal specifications are available by contacting the Purchasing Department at PO Box 5838, 205 Somsen Hall, Winona, MN 55987, e-mail: sschmitt@winona.edu or by calling (507) 457-5067.

Sealed proposals must be received by Sandra Schmitt at PO Box 5838, or at 175 W. Mark St., Somsen 205G, Business Office, Winona State University, Winona, MN 55987 by 2:00 PM CST Friday, June 6, 2008.

Winona State University reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any irregularities or informalities in proposals received.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Winona State University Request for Bids for a Vertical Machining Center

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Winona State University is seeking bids for a vertical machining center.

Bid specifications will be available May 19, 2008 by contacting the Purchasing Department at PO Box 5838, 205 Somsen Hall, Winona, MN 55987, e-mail: sschmitt@winona.edu or by calling (507) 457-5067.

Sealed bids must be received by Sandra Schmitt at PO Box 5838, or at 175 W. Mark St., Somsen 205G, Business Office, Winona State University, Winona, MN 55987 by 3:00 PM Tuesday, June 3, 2008.

Winona State University reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities or informalities in bids received.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Winona State University Request for Proposals for a Two Year Paper Towel, Toilet Tissue and Dispenser Contract

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Winona State University is seeking proposals for a two year paper towel, toilet tissue and dispenser contract.

There will be an interested vendor meeting at 10:30 AM CST Thursday, May 29, 2008 in the Facilities Services Conference Room at 175 W. Mark St on the WSU campus.

Proposal specifications are available by contacting the Purchasing Department at PO Box 5838, 205 Somsen Hall, Winona, MN 55987, e-mail: sschmitt@winona.edu or by calling (507) 457-5067.

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Minnesota Department of Corrections Notice of Request for Proposals for a Competency-Based Assessment Tool for Selection of Correctional Facility Applicants

The Department of Corrections (DOC) is seeking proposals for the development of a validated, competency-based assessment tool using a computerized format to measure job competencies to pre-screen job applicants for state employment. It is anticipated that assessments will be developed for up to three classifications in the correctional facility security rank.

The full RFP will be sent free-of-charge in response to written, e-mailed, or faxed requests to the contact person listed below. Proposals must be submitted to the DOC contact person. Other personnel are NOT allowed to discuss the RFP with anyone, including responders, before the proposal submission deadline. Proposals must be received by the contact person listed below no later than 2:00 p.m. central daylight time, June 12, 2008.

Jackie Sovick
Human Resource Management
Department of Corrections
1450 Energy Park Drive Suite 200
St. Paul, MN 55108-5219
Phone: (651) 361- 7316
Fax: (651) 643-2536
E-mail: *JSOVICK@co.doc.state.mn.us*

Minnesota Department of Corrections Notice of Request for Proposals to Provide Psychological Consultation and Examinations for Fitness-for-Duty

The Department of Corrections (DOC) is seeking proposals for psychological consultation and psychological fitness-for-duty examinations to state-referred state employees. Multiple contractors who are licensed psychologists will be needed for logistical purposes because DOC offices are located throughout Minnesota.

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Department of Education

Notice of Availability of Contract for Mathematics and Science Teacher Academy Evaluator

The Minnesota Department of Education is requesting proposals for the purpose of evaluating the Mathematics and Science Teacher Academy (MSTA) consisting of ten regional Teacher Centers to improve mathematics teaching and learning under Minnesota Statutes § 122A.72 Teacher Centers. The MSTA evaluator will provide background and contextual information as well as document critical features of MSTA. The MSTA evaluator will be expected to organize, gather, document, analyze and report data to maintain consistency in reporting of information as well as provide an unbiased perspective of the effectiveness of the MSTA program focused on implementation processes and outcomes resulting from staff development activities.

Work is proposed to start August 8, 2008.

The Request for Proposal can be obtained from:

JulAnn Meech, Review Coordinator
Minnesota Department of Education W-25
1500 Highway 36 West
Roseville, MN 55113
Phone: (651) 582-8611
E-mail: julann.meech@state.mn.us

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received at the address above no later than 2:30 PM, Central Daylight Time, June 19, 2008. **Late proposals will not be considered.** Faxed 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.

Minnesota Historical Society

Notice of Request for Bids for PRINTING SERVICES – *Come One, Come All*

The Minnesota Historical Society, on behalf of the Minnesota Historical Society Press/Borealis Books, is seeking bids from qualified firms for the printing of a book tentatively entitled “Come One, Come All” (5,000 copies plus additional 500s and 850 jackets).

The schedule is as follows:

- July 15, 2008 - all to printer; and
- September 15, 2008 - finished books at the Society’s warehouse and Press.

The Request for Bids is available by calling or writing Mary Green-Toussaint, Contracting & Purchasing Coordinator, Minnesota Historical Society, 345 Kellogg Boulevard West, Saint Paul, MN 55102. **Telephone** is (651) 259-3175; e-mail is: mary.green-toussaint@mnhs.org.

Bids must be received no later than 2:00 p.m., Local Time, Tuesday, June 10, 2008. A public bid opening will be conducted at that time. No late bids will be accepted.

Dated: May 19, 2008

Department of Human Services

Notice of Availability of Contract for: State Operated Services (SOS) is Seeking Qualified Vendors to Provide Medically Necessary Services to Clients of SOS

The Minnesota Department of Human Services, State Operated Services (SOS) is requesting qualified vendors submit an application for the purpose of providing medical services within our Community Behavioral Health Hospitals, Regional Treatment Centers, Forensic Services, and any other State Operated Services Specialty Programs/Services located throughout the State of Minnesota.

Work is proposed to start after July 1, 2008

The application request will be available at the following email address until 4:00 p.m., Central Daylight Time, 6/6/2008. **A written email request is required to receive the Application.**

The application can be obtained from:

E-mail: *medical.masters@state.mn.us*

Applications submitted in response to this advertisement must be received at the email address above no later than 4:00 p.m., Central Daylight Time, 6/9/2008. **Late applications 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 request for proposal. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

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 Juanita Voigt at (651) 366-4774 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 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 are 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:

Juanita Voigt
Consultant Services
Office of Technical Support
Minnesota Department of Transportation

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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.

Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) Mn/DOT, Office of Traffic, Safety and Operations Request for Partnership Proposals (RFPP) for Vehicle Infrastructure Integration (VII) for Safety, Mobility and User Fee Evaluation

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY of Contract for Vehicle Infrastructure Integration (VII) for Safety, Mobility and user Fee Evaluation project. Responses to this advertisement become public information under the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act. This request does not obligate the State of Minnesota or the Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) to complete the work proposed in this notice, and the department reserves the right to cancel this request for proposals. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice shall be borne by the responder.

Mn/DOT requests responses for developing an Evaluation Team for Phase I of the VII for Safety, Mobility and User Fee project as part of the Vehicle Infrastructure Integration (VII) program within the state of Minnesota. VII was developed from previous intelligent highway vehicle programs including the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991, The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) of 1997 and finally the Intelligent Vehicle Initiative (IVI) that was created through TEA-21. VII seeks to improve traffic safety and mobility while enhancing commerce in the areas where it will be implemented. In broad terms, VII is essentially a communications infrastructure that includes elements of vehicle based communication units or On Board Equipment (OBE), static roadside sensors and communications or Roadside Equipment (RSE) and the centralized network that manages the exchange of data or the VII National Network. The various OBE will be able to communicate from vehicle-to vehicle and to the RSE using Dedicated Short Range Communications (DSRC). The RSE units will then communicate with the VII National Network using various approved methods. To that end, respondents are encouraged to develop their response to this solicitation.

The complete RFP is available online at Mn/DOT's Consultant Services Website located at:

<http://www.dot.state.mn.us/consult/index.html>

All proposals must be mailed or delivered to:

Ron Bisek, Contract Administrator
Minnesota Department of Transportation
Office of Traffic, Safety and Operations
RTMC Building, **Mailstop 725**
1500 West County Road B2
Roseville, MN 55113

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Fax and e-mail responses will not be considered

Note: PROPOSALS WILL BE DUE ON June 23, 2008 no later than 2:00 pm CENTRAL TIME.

Department of Transportation Mn/DOT, Office of Traffic, Safety and Operations Request for Partnership Proposals (RFPP) for Vehicle Infrastructure Integration (VII) for Safety, Mobility and User Fee Technical Program Management

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY of Contract for Vehicle Infrastructure Integration (VII) for Safety, Mobility and user Fee Technical Program Management project. Responses to this advertisement become public information under the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act. This request does not obligate the State of Minnesota or the Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) to complete the work proposed in this notice, and the department reserves the right to cancel this request for proposals. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice shall be borne by the responder.

Mn/DOT requests responses for developing a Technical Program Management Team for Phase I of the VII for Safety, Mobility and User Fee project as part of the Vehicle Infrastructure Integration (VII) program within the state of Minnesota. VII was developed from previous intelligent highway vehicle programs including the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991, The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) of 1997 and finally the Intelligent Vehicle Initiative (IVI) that was created through TEA-21. VII seeks to improve traffic safety and mobility while enhancing commerce in the areas where it will be implemented. In broad terms, VII is essentially a communications infrastructure that includes elements of vehicle based communication units or On Board Equipment (OBE), static roadside sensors and communications or Roadside Equipment (RSE) and the centralized network that manages the exchange of data or the VII National Network. The various OBE will be able to communicate from vehicle-to-vehicle and to the RSE using Dedicated Short Range Communications (DSRC). The RSE units will then communicate with the VII National Network using various approved methods. To that end, respondents are encouraged to develop their response to this solicitation.

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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 Invitation for Bids (IFB) for Janitorial Services for MCES

Reference Number - 08P040

The Metropolitan Council is requesting bids for furnishing and delivery of Janitorial Services for MCES. The term of the contract will be three years.

A tentative schedule for the project is as follows:

<i>Issue Invitation for Bids</i>	May 12, 2008
<i>Bid Due</i>	June 9, 2008 @ 2:00 p.m.
<i>Award Contract</i>	July 1, 2008

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

Miriam Lopez-Rieth, Contracts and Procurement Unit
Metropolitan Council
390 North Robert Street
St. Paul, MN 55101-1805
Phone: (651) 602-1095
Fax: (651) 602-1083
E-mail: Miriam.Lopez-Rieth@metc.state.mn.us

Inquiries regarding technical aspects of the project should be directed to Gordon Backlund 651-602-1801.

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Voluntary Benefits

Contract 07P076A

The Metropolitan Council is requesting proposals for vendor(s) for voluntary benefits (offered to employees at full cost). These benefits will include STD and LTD, Accident and Sickness, Vision, and Auto and Homeowner/Renter plans. The term of the contract will be three years.

A tentative schedule for the project is as follows:

<i>Issue Request for Proposals</i>	May 19, 2008
<i>Receive Proposals</i>	June 23, 2008
<i>Contract negotiated, executed, NTP</i>	July 28, 2008

NOTE: This is a reissue of the RFP

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

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Metropolitan Council - Metro Transit Request for Proposals for Design Services for I-35 in Lakeville and Twin Lakes Parking Structures

Metro Transit, a division of the Metropolitan Council, is seeking the services of a qualified firm for Design Services for I-35 in Lakeville and Twin Lakes Parking Structures. The project includes professional services for the design, bidding, and construction of these two parking structures, one to be constructed on an existing park and pool lot on the east side of I-35 in Lakeville and the other to be constructed as part of the Twin Lakes development near I-35W and Cleveland Avenue in Roseville. The project schedule calls for completion of design in October 2008 and for construction during January 2009 to December 2009.

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation goal of 17 percent has been established for this project.

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, May 28, 2008 in the 1st Floor Conference Room, Metro Transit Heywood Office, 560 N. 6th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55411.

Proposals are due no later than 2:00 p.m. on June 5, 2008.

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

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

University of Minnesota (U of M) Subscribe to Bid Information Service (BIS)

The University of Minnesota offers 24-hour/day, 7-day/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.

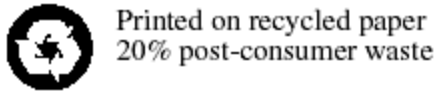
Request for Bids/Proposals are also available to the public each business day from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Purchasing Services lobby, Suite 560, 1300 S. 2nd Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55454.



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