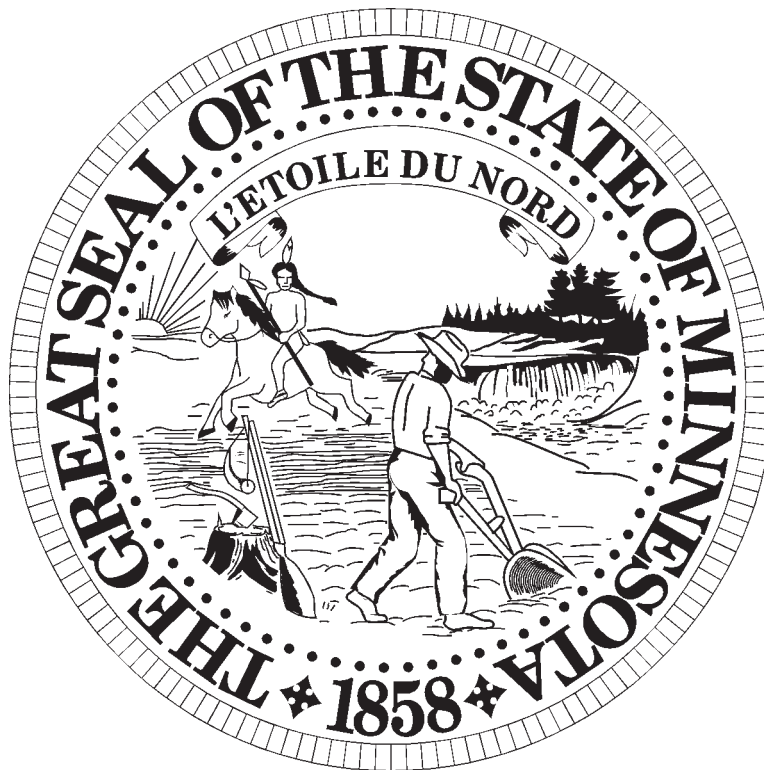


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Public Facilities Authority

Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Grants and Loans

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 31, Number 34, pages 1121-1138, February 20, 2007 (31 SR 1121), are adopted with the following modifications:

7380.0250 DEFINITIONS.

Subp. 9. **Debt service account.** "Debt service account" means a separate account established and maintained in a borrower's official financial records to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, the debt security issued by a borrower and purchased by the authority to effect the loan transaction for the financing of the borrower's ~~drinking water supply~~ project.

Subp. 12. **Eligible costs.** "Eligible costs" means the costs that may be financed by the authority, pursuant to the applicable acts, provided that the eligible cost items are reasonable, necessary, permitted by the applicable law, and are within the project scope as certified by the Department of Health or Pollution Control Agency, as applicable. Eligible costs may include, but are not limited to, the following:

A. land acquisition costs:

(2) for a water pollution control revolving fund project ~~if the land will be an integral part of the wastewater treatment process~~; under *United States Code*, title 33, chapter 26, subchapter VI, sections 1381 to 1387;

Subp. 21c. **Municipal storm water system.** "Municipal storm water system" means the collective term to denote all publicly owned property involved in the operation of a storm water treatment system including, but not limited ~~limited~~ to, a device, method, system, or systems designed to reduce, store, treat, separate, stabilize, or dispose of storm water for purposes of preventing or abating pollution, or maintaining or improving water quality.

Subp. 27a. **Project service area.** "Project service area" means the geographic area to be served by the project. If the project will serve only a portion of the entire geographic area served by the ~~municipality's~~ applicant's drinking water, wastewater, or storm water system, the project service area shall be that portion of the geographic area to be served by the project, unless any of the costs of the project will be paid by the entire geographic area served by the ~~municipality's~~ applicant's drinking water, wastewater, or storm water system.

Subp. 28b. **Significant storm water contributor agreement.** "Significant storm water contributor agreement" means a written agreement between a borrower and a significant storm water contributor that will protect the financial interest of the borrower in the event the storm water contributor curtails or ceases its operation. This agreement must include a secured, written guarantee by the significant storm water contributor for its proportional share of the debt payments for the term of the authority's loan with the borrower.

7380.0255 INTENDED USE PLAN.

Subpart 1. **Adoption of intended use plan.** The authority shall, after providing for public notice and comment, annually adopt an intended use plan which describes the intended uses of the amounts in the fund in a particular fiscal year. The intended use plan shall identify:

C. the base ~~discounts~~ discount for interest rates on loans ~~under part 7380.0272, subpart 3, item A~~; and

7380.0260 APPLICATIONS.

Subp. 4. **Complete applications.** An application must contain the required forms, data, exhibits, and documentation for the authority to make an informed determination that:

B. the applicant has the financial capability to repay the loan based on the authority's analysis of ~~information which may include~~ user charges, special assessments, population trends, major employers, building permits, largest taxpayers, trends of estimated market values, property tax rates, property tax collection, net tax capacity, indebtedness, budget forecasts, planned capital expenditures, and other information ~~deemed necessary~~ requested by the authority to make an informed determination on the creditworthiness of the applicant;

Adopted Rules

7380.0265 LOAN TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

Subp. 2. **Borrowers providing general obligation or revenue bonds.** A borrower providing a general obligation or revenue bond to the authority must use a nationally recognized bond counsel, identified as such and included in The Bond Buyer's Municipal Marketplace Directory, to prepare the bonds and other related documentation and render an opinion to the authority. Items A to F apply to borrowers providing general obligation or revenue bonds to the authority.

F. Throughout the life of the loan ~~the authority may request and~~ the borrower shall, upon request of the authority:

(2) attest that the information does not contain any untrue statement of material fact; and

(3) authorize the authority to use the information to meet its continuing disclosure obligations; and

~~(4) notify the authority if the borrower becomes aware of any changes that cause the information submitted to contain an untrue statement or omit a material fact.~~

7380.0272 INTEREST RATE DETERMINATIONS.

Subp. 2. **Bond yield scale.** The bond yield scale used in calculating the loan rate must be the greater of the ~~adjusted~~ authority scale, if authority bond proceeds are available, or the market scale, as described in items A to D.

Subp. 3. **Interest rate discounts.** Interest rate discounts must be provided as described in items A and B unless item C applies.

A. Borrowers are eligible for a base discounts discount as determined by the authority in part 7380.0255, subpart 1, item C.

B. Borrowers with a project service area population under 2,500 ~~population~~ must receive additional discounts on loan amounts up to \$20,000 per household as provided in subitems (1) and (2).

7380.0277 MARKET CONSIDERATIONS.

Subpart 1. **Market adjustments.** If the authority determines that market conditions are such that interest rates calculated under part 7380.0272 are noncompetitive, the authority has the option to establish a temporary market adjustment discount in addition to the other interest rate discounts established under part ~~7380.0255, subpart 1~~ 7380.0272.

7380.0297 REPORTS, DISCLOSURE, AND AUDITS.

Subp. 4. **Waiver of audit requirements.**

A. Beginning in the calendar year following the final disbursement of loan funds, the borrower may request a waiver from the authority of the annual independent audit. A waiver shall be granted by the authority if ~~the borrower has demonstrated satisfactory financial management practices and~~ the following conditions are met:

(3) independent annual audits have been provided as required; and

(4) loan repayments have been made to the authority on time;

(5) revenues are sufficient to repay debt and operate and maintain the system; and

~~(4)~~ (6) the borrower is in compliance with all terms and conditions of the loan agreements.

B. A waiver provided to a borrower shall be revoked by the authority if ~~either~~ any of the following conditions occur:

(1) failure to make payments when due; ~~or~~

(2) failure to submit, within 12 months of the end of the reporting year, an annual financial report as required by the Office of the State Auditor pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, section 6.47, including operating statements from the enterprise funds and any future independent audits completed for other purposes; or

(3) failure to comply with all terms and conditions of the loan agreements.

~~D. Waivers granted by the authority under this subpart remain in effect until all authority loans are fully repaid, unless revoked by the authority in its sole option and discretion.~~

7380.0400 PURPOSE.

The water pollution control revolving fund provides loans and other forms of financial assistance to eligible ~~municipalities~~ applicants to plan, design, and construct municipal wastewater or storm water systems, or nonpoint source pollution control. Under the provisions of the act and *Minnesota Statutes*, section 446A.07, the authority receives capitalization grants from the United States Environmental Protection Agency and is responsible for managing the fund in perpetuity, including making loans to eligible borrowers and receiving debt service payments. Parts 7380.0400 to 7380.0480 provide for the authority's administration of its responsibilities under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 446A.07. The Pollution Control Agency also has administrative responsibilities under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 446A.07, including determining project priorities and approving projects prior to the award of financial assistance by the authority. Parts 7077.0100 to 7077.0292 provide for the administration of the Pollution Control Agency's responsibilities.

7380.0422 INTENDED USE PLAN.

Subpart 1. **Adoption of intended use plan.** The authority shall, after providing for public notice and comment, annually adopt an intended use plan that describes the intended uses of the amounts in the fund in a particular fiscal year. The intended use plan shall identify:

- C. the base ~~discounts~~ discount for interest rates on loans ~~under part 7380.0442, subpart 3, item A;~~ and

7380.0425 APPLICATIONS.

Subp. 2. **Complete application.** An application must contain the required forms, data, exhibits, and documentation for the authority to determine that:

B. the applicant has the financial capability to repay the loan based on the authority's analysis of ~~information which may include~~ user charges, special assessments, population trends, major employers, building permits, largest taxpayers, trends of estimated market values, property tax rates, property tax collection, net tax capacity, indebtedness, budget forecasts, planned capital expenditures, and other information ~~deemed necessary~~ requested by the authority to make an informed determination on the creditworthiness of the applicant;

7380.0430 LOAN TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

Subp. 2. **Borrowers pledging general obligation bonds.** A borrower providing a general obligation bond to the authority must use a nationally recognized bond counsel, identified as such and included in the Bond Buyer's Municipal Marketplace Directory, to prepare the bonds and other related documentation and render an opinion to the authority. Items A to F apply to borrowers providing general obligation bonds to the authority.

E. The borrower shall begin making interest payments on the loan no later than one year after approval of the loan. The principal payments must begin no later than 18 months after the approval of the loan or one year after project completion as estimated in the application, whichever is earlier. Principal and interest payments must be made in the amounts and at the times stated by the authority; in the loan agreement. Interest accrues immediately on funds disbursed to the borrower by the authority.

F. Throughout the life of the loan ~~the authority may request and~~ the borrower shall, upon request of the authority:

- (2) attest that such information does not contain any untrue statement of material fact; and
- (3) authorize the authority to use the information to meet its continuing disclosure obligations; and
- (4) ~~notify the authority if the borrower becomes aware of any changes which cause the information submitted to contain an untrue fact or omit a material fact.~~

7380.0442 INTEREST RATE DETERMINATION.

Subp. 2. **Bond yield scale.** The bond yield scale used in calculating the loan rate is the greater of the ~~adjusted~~ authority scale, if authority bond proceeds are available, or the market scale, as described in items A and B.

Subp. 3. **Interest rate discounts.** Interest rate discounts must be provided as described in items A and B unless item C applies.

A. Borrowers are eligible for a base discounts discount as determined by the authority in part 7380.0422, subpart 1, item C.

B. Borrowers with a project service area population under 2,500 ~~population~~ must receive additional discounts on loan amounts up to \$20,000 per household as provided in subitems (1) and (2).

7380.0480 REPORTS, DISCLOSURE, AND AUDITS.

Subp. 3. **Waiver of audit requirements.**

A. Beginning in the calendar year following a final disbursement of loan funds, a borrower may request a waiver from the authority of the annual independent audit. A waiver must be granted by the authority if ~~the borrower has demonstrated satisfactory financial management practices and~~ the following conditions are met:

- (3) independent annual audits have been provided as required; and
- (4) loan repayments have been made to the authority on time;
- (5) revenues are sufficient to repay debt and operate and maintain the system; and
- (4) ~~(6)~~ the borrower is in compliance with all terms and conditions of the loan agreement.

B. A waiver provided to a borrower shall be revoked by the authority if either any of the following conditions occur:

- (1) failure to make payments when due; or
- (2) failure to submit, within 12 months of the end of the reporting year, an annual financial report as required by the Office of the State Auditor pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, section 6.47, including operating statements from the enterprise funds and any future independent audits completed for other purposes; or
- (3) failure to comply with all terms and conditions of the loan agreement.

~~D. Waivers granted by the authority under this subpart remain in effect until all authority loans are fully repaid, unless revoked by the authority in its sole option and discretion.~~

Adopted Rules

EFFECTIVE DATE. The amendments to *Minnesota Rules*, parts 7380.0250 to 7380.0480, are effective ~~July 1~~ August 20, 2007. *Minnesota Rules*, parts 7380.0252; 7380.0272; 7380.0277; 7380.0422; 7380.0425; 7380.0442; 7380.0445; and 7380.0475, are effective ~~July 1~~ August 20, 2007. The repealer is effective ~~July 1~~ August 20, 2007.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association's (MCHA), Enrollee Appeal Committee will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 16, 2007, at the MCHA executive office located at 5775 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 910, St. Louis Park, MN.

This meeting may be closed to the public, if so requested by the appellant(s), pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* 62E.10, subd. 4.

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

Department of Human Service

Transition of Economic Stability Division

Notice of Adjustment of Food Portion of the Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) Traditional Standard

Minnesota Statute 256J.24, Subd. 5a, requires the Commissioner of Human Services to adjust the food portion of the Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) traditional standard by October 1 of each year to reflect the cost-of-living adjustments to the Food Stamp program. Listed below are the MFIP transitional standards for household unit sizes 1 to 10. The MFIP transitional standard consists of adding together the food portion and cash benefit of the MFIP grant. The increase in the transitional standard is due to the cost of living increase of the food portion of the benefits. The information is effective October 1, 2007.

Number of Eligible People in the MFIP Unit	Transitional Standard	Cash Benefit	Food Portion
1	\$430	\$250	\$180
2	\$768	\$437	\$331
3	\$1001	\$532	\$469
4	\$1200	\$621	\$579
5	\$1370	\$697	\$673
6	\$1568	\$773	\$795
7	\$1708	\$850	\$858
8	\$1884	\$916	\$968
9	\$2058	\$980	\$1078
10	\$2226	\$1035	\$1191

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Linda Foster, Policy Analyst, Transition to Economic Stability Division, Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 64984, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0951; phone: (651) 431-4039.

Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

Construction Codes and Licensing Division

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS on Possible New Rules Governing Independent Contractor Exemption Certificates; *Minnesota Rules* (citation to be determined)

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry requests comments on its possible new rules governing independent contractor exemption certificates for individuals performing public or private sector commercial or residential building construction or improvement under *2007 Minnesota Laws*, chapter 135, article 3, section 15 (to be codified as *Minnesota Statutes* § 181.723). The Department is considering rules governing the administration and enforcement of this law and specifying the information or documentation that will assist the department in determining whether to grant or deny an individual's application for an independent contractor exemption certificate.

Persons Affected. The rules would likely affect licensed and unlicensed individuals performing public or private sector commercial building construction or improvement services; licensed and unlicensed individuals performing public or private sector residential building construction or improvement services; persons for whom these individuals perform services; and persons licensed as residential contractors, residential remodelers, manufactured home installers, or residential roofers, and mechanical contractors.

Statutory Authority. *2007 Minnesota Laws*, chapter 135, article 3, section 15 (to be codified as *Minnesota Statutes* § 181.723, subd. 13) authorizes the Department to adopt rules relating to the commissioner's responsibilities pertaining to the independent contractor exemption certificate law.

Official Notices

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, October 12, 2007. The Department does not contemplate appointing an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules.

Rules Drafts. The Department has not yet prepared a draft of the possible rules. A link to rule drafts, if available before publication of proposed rules in the State Register, will be posted on the Department of Labor and Industry's rule docket web site at:

http://www.doli.state.mn.us/rulemaking_activity.html.

Agency Contact Person. Written comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules when it has been prepared, and requests for more information on these possible rules should be directed to: Ms. Carrie Rohling, Department of Labor and Industry, 443 Lafayette Road North, Third Floor, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155, or **Fax:** (651) 284-5725. **TTY** users may call the Department at (651) 297-4198.

Alternative Format. Upon request, this Request for Comments can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, Braille, or cassette tape. To make such a request, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

NOTE: Comments received in response to this notice will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the administrative law judge if and when a proceeding to adopt rules is started. The agency is required to submit to the judge only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed. If you submitted comments during the development of the rules and you want to ensure that the Administrative Law Judge reviews the comments, you should resubmit the comments after the rules are formally proposed.

Dated: August 6, 2007

Steve Sviggum, Commissioner
Department of Labor and Industry

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Notice of Hearing on Sale of State Land in Washington County

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, section 97A.135, subd. 2a, a hearing will be held by the Department of Natural Resources, at the Stillwater City Hall, 216 North 4th Street, Stillwater, MN 55082 on Friday, August 24, 2007 at 12:00 p.m.

The purpose of the hearing is for public input regarding the surplus of 31.55 acres of state land situated in the County of Washington, and described as:

Parcel A: All that part of the North Half of the Southeast Quarter (N ½ SE ¼) of Section Thirty (30), Township Thirty (30) North, Range Twenty (20) West, Washington County, Minnesota, bounded by the following described lines: Commencing at the east quarter corner of said Section 30; thence on an assumed bearing of North 88° 13' 48" West, 399.98 feet on and along the east-west quarter line of said Section 30 to the point of beginning. Thence North 88° 13' 48" West, 504.57 feet on and along the said east-west quarter line; Thence South 17° 54' 26" West, 1377.65 feet to a point of the south one-sixteenth line of said Section 30; Thence South 88° 10' 45" East, 504.44 feet on and along the south one-sixteenth line of said Section 30. Thence North 17° 54' 26" East, 1378.11 feet to the point of beginning. Parcel B: All that part of the North Half of the Southeast Quarter (N ½ SE ¼) of Section Thirty (30), Township Thirty (30) North, Range Twenty (20) West, Washington County, Minnesota, bounded by the following described lines: Commencing at the east quarter corner of said Section 30; thence on an assumed bearing of North 88° 13' 48" West, 904.55 feet along the east-west quarter line of said Section 30 to the point of beginning; Thence South 17° 54' 26" West, 1377.65 feet to a point on the south one-sixteenth line of said Section 30; Thence North 88° 10' 45" West, 369.30 feet along said south one-sixteenth line; Thence North 42° 24' 47" West, 248.00 feet; Thence North 02° 59' 30" East, 488.11 feet; Thence North 47° 41' 19" East, 944.68 feet to a point on the east-west quarter line of said Section 30; Thence South 88° 13' 48" East, 236.03 feet along said east-west quarter line to the point of beginning. Containing 31.55 acres, more or less.

Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.135, subd. 2a, requires that a public hearing be held before lands within a Wildlife Management Area

can be disposed of through sale or exchange. The parcel is designated as the Jackson Wildlife Management Area.

It is proposed that this 31.55-acre parcel of land be sold by the Department of Natural Resources to a Government subdivision of the state for continued public use. The parcel is no longer needed for resource management purposes. If, after public hearing, the disposal of the land is in the public interest, the Commissioner of Natural Resources may vacate the parcel from Wildlife Management Area designation.

Questions regarding this proposal can be directed to Jerry Johnson at (651) 259-5397, or: *Jerry-LAM.Johnson@dnr.state.mn.us*.

Dated July 31, 2007

Kathy A. Lewis, Assistant Director
Division of Lands and Minerals

State Grants & Loans

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

Department of Health

Infectious Disease Epidemiology, Prevention and Control Division STD and HIV Section

Notice of Availability of Funds for Foreign Born HIV Public Education and Awareness Projects

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Health is soliciting proposals to provide HIV public education and awareness campaigns using strategic, effective, and culturally specific educational messages targeting foreign-born Minnesota residents most at risk for acquiring or transmitting HIV. Proposals are being sought for activities designed to promote knowledge and understanding about HIV in order to reduce the risk for HIV infection, to encourage HIV screening and testing, and to link individuals to public health and health care resources. Proposed activities will include planning and delivering HIV prevention education, referral to HIV testing, and referral of HIV positive individuals to appropriate care and support services.

A total of \$250,000 is available to fund up to three agencies for the 20-month period of November 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009. This request for proposals intends to fund one agency for each of the following three target populations identified as at highest risk for HIV transmission among foreign-born residents living in Minnesota, based on Minnesota HIV epidemiology: persons born in Mexico; persons born in East African countries, specifically Ethiopia, Kenya, and Somali Republic; and persons born in West African countries, specifically Liberia and Cameroon.

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Work is proposed to start after November 1, 2007.

The Request for Proposal packet can be obtained by going to:

<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/idepc/diseases/hiv/rfp/foreignborn/index.html>

or by contacting Jessica Barry at (651) 201-4005.

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received at the address below on or before 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 19, 2007 or have a legible postmark from the United States Postal Service, or a legible pick-up or drop-off time from a private carrier with a date and time that precedes 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 19, 2007. Late proposals will not be considered. Fax or e-mailed proposals will not be considered.

Full proposals are to be submitted by the specified date and time to:

U.S. Postal Service Mailing Address:

Jessica Barry
STD and HIV Section
Minnesota Department of Health
Orville L. Freeman Building
P.O. Box 64975
St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0975

Street Address (drop off or courier):

Jessica Barry
STD and HIV Section
Minnesota Department of Health
Orville L. Freeman Building
625 North Robert Street
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

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 Health Compliance Monitoring Division Nursing Home Technology Pilot Grant Program Notice of Grant Opportunity for Pilot Projects Using Innovative Technology to Improve Quality of Care and Life

Purpose

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Human Services, is seeking applications from federally certified nursing homes in the State of Minnesota for the purpose of funding pilot projects that use new and innovative technology to improve resident quality of care and quality of life. The pilot project must include a training and educational component for staff and/or residents on the use of the proposed technology and it must include an evaluation of the effectiveness of the proposed technology to be shared with other long term care providers. Priority will be given to those projects that use innovative technology to further resident centered or resident directed care.

Funding Amount Available

A total of \$120,000 in one-time funding is available for this grant program. A single grant may not exceed \$40,000. Funds for this technology grant program are a result of civil money penalties (CMP), which are assessed to noncompliant nursing facilities.

Duration of Award

Projects awarded funding will be approved for a period of one year. The anticipated start date of the grant is January 1, 2008.

Eligible Applicants

Because funding for this grant program comes from civil money penalties, eligible applicants for the grant program are federally certified nursing home providers in Minnesota only. Minnesota licensed only nursing homes and other long-term care providers (e.g. boarding care homes, assisted living) are not eligible for these grant funds.

Application Guidelines and Submission Requirements

Application Guidelines are available on the Department's web site at: <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fpc/grantopps07.html>

The written application must include all required elements detailed in the Grant Application Guidelines. One original (signed in ink by an authorized representative) and three copies of the application must be mailed or delivered and received by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 12, 2007, to the person and address included under Contact Information for Submission of Application and Questions listed at the end of this notice. No e-mailed or faxed applications will be accepted.

Application Review Process and Evaluation Criteria

An advisory committee will be convened by the Department to review all applications received and to make recommendations to the commissioner. The selection committee will include staff from the Minnesota Department of Health and Minnesota Department of Human Services, Stratis Health, Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care, nursing home provider associations, and other stakeholder representatives. The Department will consider recommendations of the advisory committee in selecting providers with whom to enter into a contract. Criteria that will be used by the selection committee in reviewing the proposals will include:

- The extent to which the proposed project furthers the use of technology in improving resident quality of care and quality of life;
- The extent to which the project furthers resident centered or resident directed care;
- The innovativeness of the proposed technology and the uniqueness of the application of the proposed technology;
- A clear description of the nature of the problem being addressed and why it is an important issue;
- An explanation of how the technology will be implemented into the facility including staff and resident training and responsibilities;
- A reasonable workplan that clearly indicates how a successful outcome will be achieved and how success will be measured;
- Demonstration of commitment to the pilot project among facility leadership and staff;
- Sustainability of the project;
- The immediate transferability of project to scale; and,
- A clear and realistic budget for the proposed project

The commissioner may take into account other relevant factors.

Award Process

Once an award decision is made, the successful applicant will be asked for a final workplan and budget, which will become part of the grant contract. The grant contract will then be sent to the applicant for review and signature. Three copies of the grant contract, all with original signatures, must be returned to the Minnesota Department of Health for executive signature. When the grant contract is fully executed, a copy will be sent to the applicant. Projects cannot be funded for work completed before the grant contract is fully executed.

Grant Program Timelines

August 13, 2007
October 12, 2007
November 16, 2007
Dec. 31, 2007
January 1, 2008
December 31, 2008

Announcement of Funding Opportunity

Applications Due
Estimated Award Announcements
Contract Negotiations and Agreements Finalized
Grant Start Date
Grant End Date (all work on project must be completed)

Contact Information for Submission of Application and Questions

Submission of grant applications and questions regarding the program should be directed to:

State Grants & Loans

Kay Herzfeld, Principal Planner
Compliance Monitoring Division
Minnesota Department of Health

Courier delivery:
85 East Seventh Street, Suite 220
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101
Telephone: (651) 201-3704

Postal delivery:
P.O. Box 64900
St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0900
Fax: (651) 215-9695

E-mail: *Kay.Herzfeld@health.state.mn.us*

One original (signed in ink by an authorized representative) and three copies of your application. must be mailed or delivered and received by the MDH contact person listed above no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 12, 2007. No e-mailed or faxed applications will be accepted.

Department of Human Services

Chemical Health Division

Notice of Request for Proposals to Provide Culturally Appropriate, Population Specific Chemical Health Services

PURPOSE: The Minnesota Department of Human Services Chemical Health Division is seeking proposals from qualified responders to provide culturally appropriate, population specific chemical health services to address issues of accessibility and availability, treatment support, and/or recovery maintenance services for diverse populations.

OBJECTIVE: The objective of this RFP is to contract with qualified responders to perform the tasks and services set forth in this RFP. The term of any resulting contract is anticipated to be for four years – July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2012.

The intent of this request for proposals is to respond to and anticipate the current and projected demographic changes in the State of Minnesota and to enhance the Chemical Health system to meet the changing need its diverse communities. The Department of Human Services - Chemical Health Division is working to address long-standing disparities in the availability and quality of chemical health services for people of diverse racial, ethnic and linguistically challenged populations, with consideration toward gender, sexual orientation, and disability or special needs of individuals.

Funds available: \$1,600,000 from Federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant is available annually.

Funding distributions and categories:

A) 75% (\$1,200,000) targeted to proposals serving:

- African Americans
- American Indians
- Hispanic/Latinos and
- Southeast Asian populations.

B) 25% (\$400,000) proposals serving the general population.

NOTE: Services mandated under 256E (primarily detox and chemical use assessment) or funded under 254B (the Consolidated Chemical Dependency Treatment Fund) are not appropriate for projects funded through this RFP.

A complete Request for Proposal and application can be obtained from:

Tina Austin
DHS/Chemical Health Division
Elmer Andersen Building

540 Cedar Street
P.O. Box 64977
St. Paul, MN 55164-0977
Phone: (651) 431-3433
E-mail: tina.austin@state.mn.us

The deadline for receipt of proposals is November 15, 2007, 4:00 pm Central Standard time.

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State Contracts

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

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

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

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

Real Estate & Construction Services

Notice of State Real Property For Sale in Faribault, Minnesota

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Administration is offering for sale by sealed bid the real property located 25698 Ableman Trail, Faribault, Minnesota. The property contains a 5 bedroom, 2 bathroom rambler style home situated on 1.1 acres located approximately 4 miles south of Faribault on a frontage road along Hwy I-35. Minimum bid reduced to \$175,000. \$30K allowance to buyer at closing for repairs and closing costs. To obtain a copy of the bid package, visit www.admin.state.mn.us/recs (click on Notices), e-mail: wayne.waslaski@state.mn.us or call (651) 201-2548. Written bids must be received no later than 2:30 p.m., on Tuesday, September 18, 2007.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

Human Resources

Request for Proposals for Executive Conference Center

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that proposals are being solicited to select an executive conference center to assist Minnesota State Colleges and Universities in hosting a Leadership Development Program, July 20-25, 2008. Applicants must have a facility to accommodate the following:

- Overnight stays for 56 participants in single rooms with a Sunday arrival and Friday departure; all rooms must have high-speed internet connection
- General session room for 56 people
- 2-3 breakout rooms or areas available throughout the week
- Indoor/outdoor sports and recreation facilities
- Three meals (beginning w/Sunday dinner and ending w/Friday lunch) and two refreshment breaks (a.m. and p.m.) for each day
- Private dining area for dinner on two of the five nights for 60 people
- Located within approximately 60 miles of the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport
- All proposals must include a statement that the costs and terms of the proposal are valid through September 30, 2008.

For further information, please contact:

Sandy Smith
Human Resources
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
500 Wells Fargo Place, 30 East Seventh Street
St. Paul, MN 55101
Telephone: (651) 296-3891
Fax: (651) 297-3145
E-mail: sandy.smith@so.mnscu.edu

Proposals are due by Friday, September 21, 2007, no later than 4:00 p.m.

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

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Normandale Community College Notice of Request for Proposals for New Design of Web Presence

Request for Proposal for consultation and development of a new design and improved functionality of Normandale Community College's Web presence. Bids are due Friday August 31, 2:00 P.M. CT.

NCC's agent for the purpose of responding to inquiries about this RFP is:

Name: Steven Wyffels
Title: Web Master
Address: 9700 France Ave. S.
Bloomington MN 55431
Telephone: (952) 487-8166
Fax: (952) 487- 8101
E-mail address: *steve.wyffels@normandale.edu*

Pre-ward Vendors Conference is Thursday, August 28th, 2007 at 2:00 P.M. CT.

Submission information see Section VI of the RFP. The website for this RFP is: *www.normandale.edu/webRFP/*

For the purposes of this RFP posting on this website constitutes notification to all vendors. Vendors are expected to check the website frequently.

Minnesota Department of Corrections Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Reentry Demonstration Project for High-Risk Adults

The Minnesota Department of Corrections is seeking proposals for a demonstration project with the goal of determining what type of reentry services should be provided to high-risk adults as they return to the community from incarceration. The funding, in the amount of \$1,550,000, is a one-time appropriation made available through the Minnesota Department of Corrections. The contract term will be December 1, 2007, through June 30, 2009.

The full RFP will be sent free-of-charge in response to written, e-mailed, or faxed requests to the contact person listed below. Other personnel are NOT allowed to discuss the RFP with anyone, including responders, before the proposal submission deadline.

The state reserves the right to cancel this solicitation.

The submission deadline for proposals is 2:30 p.m. central standard time, September 18, 2007.

To receive a copy of the RFP, describing in detail how to apply, contact:

Lina Jau, Grants Specialist Coordinator
Grants & Subsidies Unit, Community Services Division
Minnesota Department of Corrections
1450 Energy Park Drive, Suite 200
St. Paul, MN 55108-5219
Telephone: (651) 361-7169, TTY (800) 627-3529
Fax: (651) 642-0292
E-mail: *lina.jau@state.mn.us*

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Minnesota Department of Employee Relations Request for Proposals (RFP) for Professional Services for Pre-Tax Benefits Plan Administrator

The Minnesota Department of Employee Relations (DOER) is soliciting proposals from qualified pre-tax benefits plan administrators (“vendors” hereafter) to provide insurance-eligible employees with the option of paying certain medical, dental, dependent care, and employment-related transportation expenses with pre-tax dollars in accordance with the provisions of the State of Minnesota Pre-Tax Benefits Plan. In addition, the vendor will administer a healthcare reimbursement account (“HRA”) for certain employees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

The vendor chosen must comply with all applicable laws and administrative rules governing the operation of these programs, and all specifications of the Request for Proposal.

DOER anticipates a two-year contract with the chosen vendor beginning January 1, 2008. Extensions to the contract may be considered by the state on a year-to-year basis to a total maximum contract period of five years.

This proposal does not obligate the agency to award a contract or complete the contract, or to spend the estimated dollar amount. The state reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interests.

Please e-mail your request for an RFP or any questions to the RFP Coordinator:

Jodi Ehlenz
Minnesota Department of Employee Relations
200 Centennial Office Building
658 Cedar Street
St. Paul, MN 55155
E-mail: jodi.ehlenz@state.mn.us

All correspondence and questions must be submitted in writing via e-mail.

All proposals must be received at DOER by 3:00 p.m., Friday, September 14, 2007. Late responses, or responses filed by e-mail or fax, will not be considered.

Vendors should submit one (1) original and four (4) hard copies of the proposals as well as one electronic copy via e-mail to the RFP Coordinator. Vendors must also submit a cost proposal separately from the rest of the proposal in a sealed envelope and clearly marked as such.

Other personnel are not allowed to discuss the Request for Proposal with anyone, including responders or potential vendors, before the proposal submission deadline. Contact regarding this RFP with any personnel not listed above may result in disqualification.

Department of Human Services Minnesota Board on Aging Request for Proposals to Provide Technical Services for MinnesotaHelp.info

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Board on Aging is issuing a Request for Proposals from qualified vendors to provide Technical Services for www.minnesotahelp.info.

The Minnesota Board on Aging (MBA) is seeking one or more proven technology solution providers and implementation partner(s) to work with MinnesotaHelp.info (MHI) and its subcontractors in further developing the MinnesotaHelp.info Web Application to meet the information and assistance requirements of the MBA. The work requires a high degree of interaction with MHI to understand scope and requirements. MHI may choose one or more Vendors to provide the functions described in this RFP. At a high level, the requested activities

include:

- Maintain, enhance and develop features as directed by the MHI Project Manager.
- At the direction of the MHI Project Manager, assess current enterprise architecture, recommend a comprehensive future architecture and provide software development services to realize a future direction that aligns with state level direction provided by the MN Office of Enterprise Technology (OET) and DHS (see **APPENDIX N of the RFP, “Minnesota Enterprise Technical Architecture”**).
- Provide hosting for the various components of the MHI suite of Websites, including MinnesotaHelp.info and current and future Consumer Decision Tools
- Provide development and data support for ad hoc requests and special projects as directed by the MHI Project Manager to fulfill MHI objectives in compliance with state level direction of OET and DHS.

Copies of the Request for Proposals may be downloaded from the following website: www.mnaging.org. Click on the Quick Link titled MinnesotaHelp.info RFP and download the RFP from the resulting page. Respondents that wish to obtain a copy of Appendix M of the RFP MUST submit an original, signed copy of a Non-Disclosure Agreement to the address listed below (which can be downloaded from the same page on www.mnaging.org) to receive it.

Completed proposals must be received at the below address by 4:00 PM CDT, on Friday, September 7, 2007:

Attention: Tom Gossett
MinnesotaHelp.info Project Manager
Minnesota Board on Aging
MN Department of Human Services
444 Lafayette Road N
St. Paul, MN 55155

Hand-delivered proposals must be time-stamped by staff at the front desk at this location by the designated time. Mailed proposals must be received and time-stamped by MBA staff by the designated time. Proposals not so stamped will not be accepted. Proposals must be sealed, and visibly show the Vendor name, address, and RFP title on the outer packaging. Responders must adhere to all terms of this RFP. Late proposals will not be considered. All costs incurred in responding to this RFP will be borne by the responder. Fax or email responses will not be considered.

Department of Natural Resources

Notice of Availability of Contract for Grand Portage State Park Visitor Center Exhibits

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources is requesting proposals for the purpose of planning, designing, building and installing the interpretive display for the new Grand Portage Welcome Center.

Work is proposed to start after November 1, 2007.

A Request for Proposals will be available by mail from this office through September 17, 2007. **A written request (by direct mail or fax) is required to receive the Request for Proposal.** After September 17, 2007, the Request for Proposal must be picked up in person.

The Request for Proposal can be obtained from:

Betty Brasgala, State Parks
MN Department of Natural Resources
1201 E. Hwy 2
Grand Rapids, MN 55744
Fax: (218) 327-4263

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received at the address above no later than

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September 21, 2007 at 3:30 p.m. **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 Transportation (Mn/DOT) Engineering Services Division Notice of Potential Availability of Contracting Opportunities for a Variety of Highway Related Technical Activities (“Consultant Pre-Qualification Program”)

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

Mn/DOT, worked in conjunction with the Consultant Reform Committee, the American Council of Engineering Companies of Minnesota (ACEC/MN), and the Department of Administration, to develop the Consultant Pre-Qualification Program as a new method of consultant selection. The ultimate goal of the Pre-Qualification Program is to streamline the process of contracting for highway related professional/technical services. Mn/DOT awards most of its consultant contracts for highway-related technical activities using this method, however, Mn/DOT also reserves the right to use Request for Proposal (RFP) or other selection processes for particular projects. Nothing in this solicitation requires Mn/DOT to use the Consultant Pre-Qualification Program.

Mn/DOT is currently requesting applications from consultants. Refer to Mn/DOT’s Consultant Services web site, indicated below, to see which highway related professional/technical services are available for application. Applications are accepted on a continual basis. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice will be borne by the responder. Response to this notice becomes public information under the Minnesota Government Data Practices.

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

Send completed application material to:

Brad Hamilton
Consultant Services
Office of Technical Support
Minnesota Department of Transportation
395 John Ireland Blvd. Mail Stop 680
St. Paul Minnesota 55155

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

Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) Engineering Services Division Notice Concerning Professional/Technical Contract Opportunities

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

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

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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.

Dakota County

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) For Subsidized Work Program Serving MFIP Participants

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Dakota County is seeking qualified Contractors to provide MN Family Investment Program (MFIP) participants with subsidized employment and On the Job Training (OJT) opportunities. Case management, subsidized job development and unsubsidized job placement are all aspects of the RFP.

To access the complete RFP online, or to acquire additional information about Dakota County, visit our website at: www.dakotacounty.us, click on Doing Business and select *Bids & Proposals* from the menu.

Contact: Helene Woods, Program Developer
Dakota County Workforce Services
1 Mendota Road West, Suite 100
West St. Paul, MN 55118-4773
Phone: 651-554-5908
Fax: 651-554-6565
E-mail: helene.woods@co.dakota.mn.us

Responder's Meeting is scheduled from 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM CDT on Monday, August 20th 2007 **at the Dakota County Northern Service Center in West St. Paul. See proposal for details.**

Deadline for proposals is 2:00 p.m. CDT on Tuesday, September 4th, 2007. No late proposal will be considered.

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Invitation for Bids (IFB) for Baghouse Bag Replacement Reference Number 07P063-A

The Metropolitan Council is requesting bids for Baghouse Bag Replacement with high temperature rated cartridge type filters for the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The tentative schedule for this procurement is as follows:

<i>Issue Invitation for Bids</i>	August 13, 2007
<i>Bids Due</i>	August 28, 2007
<i>Award Contract</i>	September 3, 2007

All firms interested in submitting bids for this contract and desiring to receive an IFB package are invited to make a request by e-mail, fax, mail or phone to:

Sunny Jo Emerson
Metropolitan Council
390 N. Robert Street

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St Paul MN 55101-1805
Phone: (651) 602-1499
Fax: (651) 602-1083
E-mail: sunnyjo.emerson@metc.state.mn.us

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Invitation for Bids (IFB) for Purchase of Biogas System Equipment For Empire Waste Water Treatment Facility Reference Number 07P104

The Metropolitan Council is requesting bids for the purchase of Biogas System Equipment for the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant.

<i>Issue Invitation for Bids</i>	August 13, 2007
<i>Bids Due</i>	August 28, 2007
<i>Award Contract</i>	September 2007

All firms interested in submitting bids for this contract and desiring to receive an IFB package are invited to make a written request either by e-mail, fax or mail to:

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Administrative Assistant, Contracts and Procurement Unit
Metropolitan Council
390 North Robert Street
St. Paul, MN 55101
Fax: (651) 602-1083
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Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals Contract for Temporary Laboratory Staffing Contract Number 07P098

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting proposals for professional/technical services to support its Environmental Services Division (MCES) by providing temporary laboratory staffing on an **as-needed** basis. The successful proposer must be capable of providing laboratory aids, laboratory technicians and scientists to MCES' Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant Laboratory located at 2400 Childs Road in St. Paul.

The Council intends a \$100,000 contract with one successful Proposer for a period of approximately two years to provide needed temporary staff services.

The anticipated schedule for this procurement is:

<i>Issue Request for Proposals</i>	Week of August 13, 2007
<i>Proposal Due Date</i>	September 6, 2007
<i>Selection of Firm</i>	September 2007
<i>Execution of Contracts</i>	Sept. – Oct. 2007

All firms interested in providing these services should request a copy of the Request for Proposals. Send or fax requests to:

Miriam Lopez-Rieth, Administrative Assistant
Contracts and Procurement Unit
Metropolitan Council
390 North Robert St.

Non-State Bids, Contracts & Grants

St. Paul, MN 55101
PHONE: (651) 602-1095
FAX: (651) 602-1083
E-mail: miriam.lopez-rieth@metc.state.mn.us

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals for Master Contract for Land Acquisition and/or Appraisal Services Contract Number 07P103

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting proposals for professional/technical services to support its Environmental Services Division by providing land acquisition services on an **as-needed** (master contract) basis. The successful proposer must be capable of providing either appraisal services **or** all the services applicable to land acquisition such as planning, public information, surveying and related, title examination, notification letters, appraisal, environmental assessments, negotiation, condemnation, etc. The proposer may utilize subcontractors to supplement its expertise and capabilities. The proposer (and any subcontractors) must procure and keep current any and all licenses, permits or certificates which are or may be required by properly constituted authorities for the performance of these services.

The Council plans to execute contracts with about four firms. Each contract would have a maximum value of about \$200,000 and a term of five years. The contracts will be structured to allow the Council to request specific professional services, generally valued at less than \$50,000, on an as-needed basis by issuing Work Orders. Each Work Order will include a specific scope of services, schedule, deliverables and cost for the services.

The anticipated schedule for this procurement is:

<i>Issue Request for Proposals</i>	Week of August 20, 2007
<i>Proposal Due Date</i>	September 20, 2007
<i>Selection of Firms</i>	October 2007
<i>Execution of Contracts</i>	November 2007

All firms interested in providing these services should request a copy of the Request for Proposals. Send or fax requests to:

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Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals for Master Contracts for Waste Water Treatment Plant Engineering Services Contract Number 07P102

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting proposals for architectural/engineering services to support its Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Division by providing on an **as-needed** (master contract) basis miscellaneous engineering and/or engineering construction support services that may be needed at any of its treatment plants. Both full service and specialty (such as power, I/C, mechanical, process, design etc) waste water treatment plant engineering firms will be considered.

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The Council plans to execute contracts with three proposers each with a total value of about \$200,000 and two year term.

The contracts will be structured to allow the Council to request specific services, generally valued at less than \$50,000, on an as-needed basis by issuing Work Orders. Each Work Order will include a specific scope of services, schedule, deliverables and cost for the services. These may be competed.

The anticipated schedule for this procurement is:

<i>Issue Request for Proposals</i>	Week of August 13, 2007
<i>Proposal Due Date</i>	September 13, 2007
<i>Selection of Firms</i>	Sept. – Oct. 2007
<i>Execution of Contracts</i>	Oct. – Nov. 2007

All firms interested in providing these services should request a copy of the Request for Proposals. Send or fax requests to:

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Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Operational Gap Training for the Empire Treatment Facility Reference Number 07P037A

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting proposals to provide Operational Gap Training for the Empire Treatment Facility. The successful proposer will provide training materials and conduct training sessions for nineteen (19) plant systems, which were modified or newly installed.

<i>Issue Request for Proposals</i>	August 13, 2007
<i>Questions Due</i>	August 22, 2007
<i>Proposals Due</i>	September 5, 2007
<i>Award Contract</i>	September 2007

All firms interested in submitting proposals for this contract and desiring to receive an RFP package are invited to make a written request either by e-mail, fax or mail to:

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Metropolitan Council - Metro Transit

Request for Proposals Hiawatha Light Rail Transit American Boulevard Station and Platform Extensions Design and Construction Support Services

Procurement Number 7498

Metro Transit, a division of the Metropolitan Council, is seeking the services of a qualified firm for Hiawatha Light Rail Transit American Boulevard Station and Platform Extensions Design and Construction Support Services. The project includes professional design services, pre-bid and bid services, and construction support services for the Hiawatha Light Rail Transit American Boulevard Station and Platform Extensions project.

The RFP will be issued during the week of August 6, 2007.

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held at 10:00 AM on Thursday, August 23, 2007 in the 1st Floor Conference Room, Metro Transit F.T. Heywood Office located at 560 Sixth Avenue North, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55411.

Proposers are encouraged to attend and participate in the Pre-Proposal Conference.

Proposals are due by 2:00 p.m. on September 6, 2007.

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

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

Metropolitan Council - Metro Transit

Request for Proposals for LRT Reverse Signalization and Power Crossovers Design Services

Procurement Number 7444

Metro Transit, a division of the Metropolitan Council, is seeking the services of a qualified firm for LRT Reverse Signalization and Power Crossovers design services. The project includes professional services for the design, and testing of the LRT reverse signalization and power crossovers from downtown East to Franklin stations (MOS1) part of the Hiawatha Light Rail Transit.

The RFP will be issued during the week of August 13, 2007.

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 30, 2007 in the 2nd Floor Conference Room, Metro Transit Light Rail Operations and Support Facility located at 1810 East Franklin Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55404.

Proposers are encouraged to attend and participate in the Pre-Proposal Conference.

Proposals are due by 4:00 p.m. on September 13, 2007.

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

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Metro Transit Purchasing Department

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Metropolitan Council - Metro Transit Ruter Garage Parking Lot Security Cameras

Metro Transit, a service of the Metropolitan Council, is soliciting sealed bids for Ruter Garage Parking Lot Security Cameras. A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held 10:00 AM, Wednesday, August 15, 2007 at the M.J. Ruter Garage, located at 6845 Shingle Creek Parkway, Brooklyn Center, MN 55430. Meet in the employee parking lot. Bids are due at **2:00 PM** on September 4, 2007. Bids must be submitted in accordance with the Invitation for Bids document available from:

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Metro Transit Purchasing Department
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515 N. Cleveland Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55114
Phone: (612) 349-5070
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Metropolitan Council - Metro Transit Passenger Waiting Shelters Procurement Procurement Number 7500

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting sealed bids for the procurement of 20 Passenger Waiting Shelters. Bids are due at **2:00 PM** on August 30, 2007. Bids must be submitted in accordance with the Invitation for Bids document available from:

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

Minneapolis Public Schools Request for Proposal 07-07: Evaluation of North Side Initiative - Special School District No. 1

Sealed Proposals due no later than 2:00 p.m. CDT September 13, 2007.

Respond to:
Gregory C. Mead
Minneapolis Public Schools
John B. Davis Educational Service Center
807 N.E. Broadway, Room 208
Minneapolis, MN 55413

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For further information contact Gregory C. Mead at (612) 668-0371

Call or write for the full RFP which will be sent free of charge to interested vendors.

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