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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 Proposed emergency rules and withdrawn proposed rules are also published in the *State Register*.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**

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.

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

### **Minnesota Department of Natural Resources**

# Adopted Exempt Permanent Rules: Off-highway Motorcycle Number and Decal Display, *Minnesota Rules*, part 6102.0010 ORDER ADOPTING RULES

Rules of the Department of Natural Resources relating to Off-highway Motorcycle Number and Decal Display, in the form set out in the Revisor's draft, file number 3839, dated November 25, 2008, are adopted under my authority in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 84.788 and 84.79.

Dated: January 8, 2009

Mark Holsten, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources

### 6102.0010 VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND DISPLAY OF NUMBERS.

[For text of subps 1 and 2, see M.R.]

Subp. 3. **Display of number and decals.** The current ATV <del>and OHM</del> registration numbers and decal must be displayed on a plate not less than four inches high and 7-1/2 inches wide, which is clearly visible on the back of the vehicle, at least 12 inches from the ground. The decal must be displayed in the upper-left section of the plate. The plate, registration numbers, and registration decal must be maintained in a clear and legible condition.

ATVs registered for private use as prescribed by *Minnesota Statutes*, section 84.922, subdivision 2a, must display the private use decal in the upper-right section of the plate. If registered only for private use, no numbers need be displayed.

OHMs licensed under *Minnesota Statutes*, chapter 168, for highway use must display the OHM decal in the upper-left section of the license plate issued by the Department of Public Safety, Division of Motor Vehicles.

[For text of subps 4 to 7, see M.R.]

### **Expedited Emergency Rules**

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

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

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### **Department of Natural Resources**

### Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: Turkey Special Hunt Quotas Quotas for Disabled and Youth Special Turkey Hunts

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the above entitled rules have been adopted through the process prescribed by *Minnesota Statutes*, section 84.027, subdivision 13 (b). The statutory authority for the contents of the rules is *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 97A.435, 97A.465, 97B.711, and 97B.723.

The emergency conditions that do not allow compliance with *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 97A.0451 to 97A.0459, are that annual turkey population and harvest data needed for setting quotas and areas for youth and disabled turkey hunts are not available until August.

Dated: January 13, 2009

Mark Holsten, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources

### 6236.1060 TURKEY HUNT QUOTAS.

[For text of subp 1, see 33 SR 914]

#### Subp. 2. Permits for disability hunts.

- A. For wild turkey permit area 337, two additional permits per time period are available for individuals with disabilities participating in a special hunt on the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge. Capable Partners is the sponsoring nonprofit organization.
- B. For wild turkey permit area 223, one additional permit per time period is available for individuals with disabilities participating in a special hunt on the Sand Prairie Wildlife Management Area. Capable Partners is the sponsoring nonprofit organization.
- C. For wild turkey permit area 225, three additional permits per time period are available for individuals with disabilities participating in a special hunt on the Becklin Homestead Park Wildlife Management Area. Capable Partners and the Isanti County Sportsman's Club are the sponsoring nonprofit organizations.
- D. For Camp Ripley Military Reservation, within wild turkey permit area 248, up to an additional 60 permits shall be issued for April 21-23. One nonhunting mentor must accompany each disabled hunter. The St. Cloud Veterans Administration is the sponsoring organization.
- E. For wild turkey permit area 424, one additional permit for each of time periods A, B, and D is available for individuals with disabilities participating in a special hunt on the Claire Rollings (East Unit) Wildlife Management Area. Within the East Unit, the area east of the Chippewa River is closed to general draw permit holders during seasons A to D. The entire Claire Rollings (East Unit) Wildlife Management Area is open to general draw permit holders during seasons E to H. Claire Rollings (West Unit) and Claire Rollings (Rhode Tract) are open to general draw permit holders during all time periods. Midwest Outdoors Unlimited is the sponsoring nonprofit organization.
  - F. For wild turkey permit area 467, 12 additional permits are available during time period C and 12 additional permits are available

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during time period G for individuals with disabilities participating in a special hunt at Ironwood Springs Christian Ranch. National Wild Turkey Federation's Wheelin' Sportsmen is the sponsoring nonprofit organization.

### 6236.1070 YOUTH WILD TURKEY SPECIAL HUNTS.

Subpart 1. **Requirements.** Persons participating in youth wild turkey hunts must be at least 12 years of age and under 18 years of age by the beginning hunt date. A valid wild turkey license and firearms safety certificate must be obtained prior to being issued a permit. Youth participating in these hunts must not have previously drawn a turkey permit. All participants must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian who is at least 18 years of age. The accompanying parent or guardian may not hunt be armed, but may assist during the hunt. All participants and their accompanying parent or guardian must attend a prehunt orientation offered by the hunt sponsors. Participating youth hunters must be sponsored and selected by a sponsoring nonprofit or selected by lottery.

Subp. 2. **Open areas.** Youth hunt permittees may hunt in open areas and special seasons as designated by the commissioner. <u>In 2009</u>, the following areas are open for youth wild turkey hunters by permit:

A. the Wildlife Science Center property and adjoining private property in Anoka County in wild turkey permit area 227 is open for taking wild turkeys April 18 and 19, April 25 and 26, May 2 and 3, May 9 and 10, and May 16 and 17. No more than 25 additional permits shall be issued to first-time turkey hunters ages 12 to 17 selected by the Wildlife Science Center. No more than five permits shall be issued per open time period. The Wildlife Science Center is the sponsoring nonprofit organization;

B. Wilder Forest in Washington County in wild turkey permit area 236 is open for taking wild turkeys April 18 and 19, April 25 and 26, May 2 and 3, May 9 and 10, and May 16 and 17. No more than 50 additional permits cumulatively shall be issued to hunters ages 12 to 17 selected by the John Glenn Archery Club and the Safari Club International North Country Cadets. No more than ten permits shall be issued per open time period to hunters ages 12 to 17 selected by the John Glenn Archery Club. The John Glenn Archery Club and the Safari Club International North Country Cadets are the sponsoring nonprofit organizations;

C. the St. Croix Research Station, Warner Nature Center, and Boy Scouts of America Camp Kiwanis in wild turkey permit area 236 are open for taking wild turkeys by archery April 18 and 19, April 25 and 26, and May 2 and 3. No more than seven additional permits shall be issued per open time period to hunters ages 12 to 17 selected by the Bucks and Buckthorn Club. The Bucks and Buckthorn Club and the Science Museum of Minnesota are the sponsoring nonprofit organizations;

D. the Minnesota Valley State Recreation Area in Scott and Carver Counties, the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge in Scott and Carver Counties, and private property identified by the hunt sponsor in turkey permit areas 338A, 442A, and 601A within Scott, Carver, Dakota, and Rice Counties are open April 18 and 19 for taking wild turkeys from one-half hour before sunrise until noon each day. No more than 23 additional permits shall be issued to first-time turkey hunters ages 12 to 17 selected by lottery. The National Wild Turkey Federation is the sponsoring nonprofit organization;

E. Chester Woods Park in Olmsted County is open April 11 and 12 and April 18 and 19 for taking wild turkeys from one-half hour before sunrise until noon each day. No more than 30 additional permits shall be offered to first-time turkey hunters ages 12 to 17 selected by lottery. No more than 15 permits shall be offered per open time period. The National Wild Turkey Federation is the sponsoring nonprofit organization;

<u>F. private property identified by the hunt sponsor in the following wild turkey permit areas is open from one-half hour before sunrise until noon on April 18 and 19. No more than the following additional permits shall be issued to first-time turkey hunters ages 12 to 17 selected by lottery. The National Wild Turkey Federation is the sponsoring nonprofit organization:</u>

	Area/time period	Number of permits
(1)	157A	10
(2)	213A	15
(3)	214A	15
(4)	215A	15
(5)	218A	15
(6)	219A	10
(7)	221A	10
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(30)	442A	15
(31)	443A	15
(32)	461A	15
(33)	462A	15
(34)	466A	15
<u>(35)</u>	<u>467A</u>	10; and

<u>G. for wild turkey permit area 601A, 14 additional permits are authorized for youth participating in a hunt conducted by the National Wild Turkey Federation May 16 and 17.</u>

### 6236.1075 SPECIAL HUNTS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL.

A. For Camp Ripley Military Reservation, within wild turkey permit area 248, up to an additional 60 permits shall be issued for April 25 to 29, 2009, for taking bearded turkey using legal shotguns, muzzleloading shotguns, or archery equipment. The Minnesota Army National Guard is the sponsoring organization.

B. For Arden Hills Army Training Site, within wild turkey permit area 601, up to an additional 20 permits shall be issued for April 15 to 19, 2009, and April 20 to 24, 2009 (ten for each five days), for taking bearded turkey using legal archery equipment. The Minnesota Army National Guard is the sponsoring organization.

**EFFECTIVE PERIOD.** The emergency amendments to *Minnesota Rules*, part 6236.1070, expire July 1, 2009. *Minnesota Rules*, parts 6236.1060 and 6236.1075, expire July 1, 2009.

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Various agency commissioners are authorized to issue "commissioner's orders" on specified activities governed by their agency's enabling laws. See the *Minnesota Statutes* governing each agency to determine the specific applicable statutes. Commissioners' orders are approved by assistant attorneys general as to form and execution and published in the *State Register*. These commissioners orders are compiled in the year-end subject matter index for each volume of the *State Register*.

### Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

Designation of a Forest Road in the Pillsbury State Forest pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 89.71, Subdivision 1.

Designation of Forest Roads in the Pillsbury State Forest in Cass County, Minnesota Road Number 0807, Rock Lake Road

DECISION RECORD / OFFICIAL NOTICE AND ORDER NOTICE PUBLISHED: February 1, 2009
EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2009

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources orders the designation of a forest road identified in *Exhibit A* attached hereto and incorporated herein, in the Pillsbury State Forest.

#### WHEREAS:

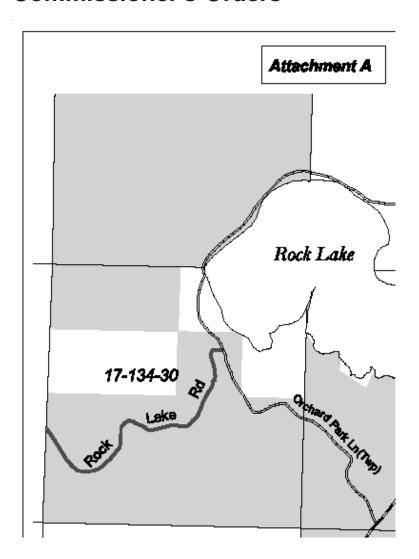
- 1. Minnesota Statutes, Section 89.002, subdivision 3, directs the Commissioner of Natural Resources to provide a system of state forest roads for access to state forest land and other forest land under the Commissioner's authority, which is adequate to permit the Commissioner to manage, protect, and develop those lands and their resources consistent with the forest resource management policy, and to meet demands for forest resources;
- 2. *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 89.71, subdivision 1, provides that the commissioner must designate and undesignate forest roads by written order published in the State Register.
  - 3. All notice and procedural requirements in Minnesota Statutes, and other applicable rules and law have been complied with.
  - 4. The forest road designations are both needed and reasonable.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED** that the forest road identified in *Exhibit A*, attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby designated pursuant to authority vested in me by Minnesota law.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the designation of those forest roads identified in attached *Exhibit A* shall become effective on March 1, 2009.

Dated: 20 January 2009 Mark Holsten, Commissioner
Department of Natural Resources

### Commissioner's Orders



### Official Notices

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

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### **Department of Human Services**

### Health Care Purchasing and Delivery Systems Division Health Care Administration

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

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

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

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

No earlier than February 17, 2009 the Department may add the following outpatient prescribed drugs to the state MAC list:

<u>Drug Name</u>

LAMOTRIGINE

These additions are made to bring Medical Assistance reimbursement to pharmacists more closely in line with the actual acquisition cost of the drugs listed above. The Department estimates that there will be a state savings of \$45,000.00 for State Fiscal Year 2008 (July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009).

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

### Official Notices

Written comments and requests for information may be sent to Pharmacy Program Manager Sara Drake R.Ph., Health Services and Medical Management Division, Health Care Administration, Minnesota Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 64984, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0984.

### Department of Labor and Industry (DOLI)

### **Labor Standards Unit**

### Notice of Correction and Addition to Commercial Prevailing Wage Rates for Labor Code 421, Sheet Metal Workers in Various Counties

A correction and additional rates have been added to the Commercial Prevailing Wage Rates certified 01/20/09, for Labor Code 421, Sheet Metal Workers in Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Kanabec, McLeod, Pine, Ramsey, Rice, Scott, Sibley, Washington and Wright Counties.

Copies with the corrected and added certified wage rates for this Region or these Counties may be obtained by writing the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Prevailing Wage Section, 443 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4306, or by calling (651) 284-5091, or accessing our web site at www.doli.state.mn.us. Charges for the cost of copying and mailing are \$.25 per page for the first 100 pages, \$.65 per page after that. Make check or money order payable to the State of Minnesota.

> Steve Sviggum, Commissioner Department of Labor and Industry

### 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.

### **Applying for Grants**

Have you checked up on all the "active" state grants? Only for State Register subscribers is a "Contracts & Grants" section available that lists all grants and contracts open for bid. Open the State Register and click on Bookmarks in the upper left corner. You will see a list of ALL the current rules, with an INDEX, and previous years' indices, as well as a list of all contracts and grants open for bid. Subscribe and receive LINKS to the State Register. You also receive Subscriptions cost \$180 a year (an \$80 savings). Here's what you receive via e-mail:

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### **Minnesota Housing Finance Agency**

### Request for Proposals for the Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Program

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency announces the anticipated availability of grant funds through the Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Program. The actual availability and amount of funds is contingent upon approval by the 2009 Minnesota Legislature.

#### **Amount of Funds Available:**

\$14.6 million in grant funds are anticipated for the biennium period of July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2011.

### **Eligible Applicants**

In the Twin Cities seven-county metropolitan area, a county is an eligible applicant. In non-metropolitan areas, eligible applicants include a county, a group of contiguous counties jointly acting together, or a community based nonprofit organization with a sponsoring resolution from each of the county boards of the counties located within its operating jurisdiction.

The service area must have a significant number or significant growth in the number of people experiencing homelessness, including families with children, youth/unaccompanied youth, and single adults. The applicant must focus their emergency response system on homelessness prevention and securing transitional or permanent housing for people who are homeless.

Application packages are available on the Minnesota Housing website at:

http://www.mnhousing.gov/initiatives/housing-assistance/prevention/index.aspx

Or contact Erin Schwarzbauer at 651-296-3656 to have application materials emailed.

# Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) Nursing Facility Rates and Policy (NFRP) Division Nursing Facility Diversity Mini-Grant Program Open for Proposals

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) through its Nursing Facility Rates and Policy Division (State), is seeking Proposals from qualified Nursing Facility Responders to develop or provide a program related to diversity and/or cultural competency issues in staffing and resident care within their respective facility.

The Nursing Facility Diversity Mini-Grant program was established under authority of the DHS Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP) Committee. The purpose of the Nursing Facility Diversity Mini-Grant program is to encourage the design and development of programming surrounding diversity issues and/or cultural competency affecting nursing facilities. This proposed program may be related to staff and/or resident diversity issues.

Funding requests must be limited the \$300 - \$3,000 range. The total available funds will not necessarily be divided equally amongst applicants, nor will selected applicants be guaranteed the entire amount requested.

The term of any resulting grant contract is anticipated to be no longer than 12 months. A bidder's conference will be held at The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) Elmer Andersen Building, 540 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN on Monday March 9th, 2009, from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Please attend the bidder's conference or contact the DHS staff person listed below for more information.

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

Audrey Riddle MN Department of Human Services NF Rates & Policy (NFRP) Division

540 Cedar Street St. Paul, MN 55155 **Phone:** (651) 431-4981

E-mail: audrey.riddle@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 4:00 p.m., Central Time, Friday March 20, 2009. Late 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 Department of Human Services**

**Managed Care and Payment Policy Division** 

Addendum to Request for Proposals in Blue Earth, Chippewa, Chisago, Cottonwood, Faribault, Jackson, Kandiyohi, Lac Qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Martin, Murray, Nobles, Redwood, Rock, Swift, Watonwan, Wright and Yellow Medicine Counties

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Minnesota Department of Human Services through its Managed Care and Payment Policy Division has published an Addendum to its Request for Proposal in Blue Earth, Chippewa, Chisago, Cottonwood, Faribault, Jackson, Kandiyohi, Lac Qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Martin, Murray, Nobles, Redwood, Rock, Swift, Watonwan, Wright and Yellow Medicine Counties that was published in the February 9, 2009 State Register. In the Addendum, additional county information regarding Blue Earth County is available and needs to be addressed as part of the RFP response.

To request a full text of the RFP Addendum please contact: Pam Olson, at pam.r.olson@state.mn.us or at:

Department of Human Services
Managed Care and Payment Policy Division
P.O. Box 64984
St. Paul. MN 55155-0984

**Phone:** (651) 431-2526 **Fax:** (651) 431-7426

This is the only person designated to answer questions by potential responders regarding this RFP.

The text of the RFP Addendum can also be viewed by visiting the Minnesota Department of Human Services RFP web site: http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/id\_000102

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 Department of Human Services**

### **Managed Care and Payment Policy Division**

Notice of Request for Proposals for Statewide Procurement of the Minnesota Senior Health Options (MSHO) Program and Procurement of Special Needs Basic Care (SNBC) for Specific Counties

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Human Services, through its Managed Care and Payment Policy Division (State), is seeking proposals from qualified managed care organizations (MCOs) sponsoring Medicare Advantage Special Needs Plans (SNPs) to provide prepaid health care and long-term care services to seniors who are eligible for Medicare and Medical Assistance under Minnesota Senior Health Options (MSHO) in all 87 counties: Anoka, Aitkin, Becker, Beltrami, Benton, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Carlton, Carver, Cass, Chippewa, Chisago, Clay, Clearwater, Cook, Cottonwood, Crow Wing, Dakota, Dodge, Douglas, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Grant, Hennepin, Houston, Hubbard, Isanti, Itasca, Jackson, Kanabec, Kandiyohi, Kittson, Koochiching, Lac Qui Parle, Lake, Lake of the Woods, Le Sueur, Lincoln, Lyon, Mahnomen, Marshall, Martin, McLeod, Meeker, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Mower, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Norman, Olmsted, Otter Tail, Pennington, Pine, Pipestone, Polk, Pope, Ramsey, Red Lake, Redwood, Renville, Rice, Rock, Roseau, Scott, Saint Louis, Sherburne, Sibley, Stearns, Steele, Stevens, Swift, Todd, Traverse, Wabasha, Wadena, Waseca, Washington, Watonwan, Wilkin, Winona, Wright, and Yellow Medicine. To be eligible to respond to this RFP for the procurement of MSHO, potential Responders must have responded to the Request for Information (RFI) issued on November 10, 2008 or December 21, 2008. Response to one of these RFIs, however, does not obligate MCOs to respond to this RFP for MSHO.

In addition, the Minnesota Department of Human Services, through its Managed Care and Payment Policy Division (State), is seeking Proposals from qualified managed care organizations (MCOs) sponsoring Medicare Advantage Special Needs Plan (SNPs) to provide prepaid health care services to people with disabilities age 18-64 who are eligible for Medical Assistance under the Special Needs Basic Care (SNBC) program in the following eleven Minnesota counties: Anoka, Beltrami, Carver, Clearwater, Dakota, Hennepin, Hubbard, Lake of the Woods, Ramsey, Scott and Washington. To be eligible to respond to this RFP for the procurement of SNBC, potential Responders must have responded to the Request for Information (RFI) issued on November 10, 2008 or December 21, 2008. Response to one of these RFIs, however, does not obligate MCOs to respond to this RFP for SNBC. Current SNBC plans serving Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington counties do not have to respond to this RFP to continue to participate in those counties.

MSHO and SNBC health plans are SNPs contracting with the STATE for the provision of prepaid health care and home and community-based services under the MSHO program and prepaid health care under the SNBC program. SNPs provide integrated Medicare and Medicaid services to eligible Medical Assistance (MA) enrollees in Minnesota. The STATE is requesting proposals for continued and expanded MSHO services and expanded SNBC services.

A Request for Proposals will be available by accessing the Department of Human Services public website after 12:00 noon (CST) on February 17, 2009, at:

 $http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET\_DYNAMIC\_CONVERSION\&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased\&dDocName=id\_000102$ 

To obtain a paper copy of the RFP, please print a copy from the website. If you have problems downloading the RFP, contact Cindy Czech at: cindy.czech@state.mn.us or call (651) 431-2514.

Information submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this notice must be received by 4:00 p.m. (CDT) on March 30, 2009, addressed as follows:

Attention: Cara Bailey
Managed Care and Payment Policy Division
Department of Human Services
444 Lafayette Road N.
St. Paul, MN 55155
Phone (651) 431-2515

Late information will not be considered and will be returned unopened to the submitting party. Faxed or e-mailed information will not be accepted.

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.

### **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 <a href="https://www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us">www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us</a> for informal solicitation announcements.

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

**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

### **Get the Most from State Contracts**

A summarized "Contracts & Grants" section lists **all contracts and grants** currently open for bid. It is available **only to subscribers** to the *State Register*. Subscribers also receive LINKS to the *State Register*, as well as Bookmarks. Subscribers also receive a growing INDEX to each volume, including the current issue, as well as indices to previous volumes. Here's what you receive via e-mail:

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## Department of Administration (Admin) (State Designer Selection Board Project No. 09-01)

**University of Minnesota** 

### Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Designer Selection for: University of Minnesota Duluth — American Indian Learning Resource Center

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

click on "Request for Proposal" under "American Indian Learning Resource Center."

An informational meeting is tentatively scheduled for 1:00 PM, February 19, 2009 in the Lobby of the Darland Administration Building, 1045 University Drive, UMD Campus, Duluth. All firms interested in this project should attend this meeting. Project questions will also be taken at this meeting.

Proposals must be delivered to Bev Kroiss, 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 no later than **12:00 P.M.**, **March 2·2009**. Late responses will not be considered.

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

# Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Dakota County Technical College Sealed Bids Sought for Solar Heating and Energy Recovery for Domestic Water

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Dakota County Technical College will receive

Sealed Bids for: Solar Heating and Energy Recovery for Domestic Water

Dakota County Technical College

Rosemount, Minnesota

Will be received by: Mr. Paul DeMuth (at School Front Desk)

Dakota County Technical College

1300 145th Street East

Rosemount, Minnesota 55068

Until 2:00 p.m., local time, Thursday, March 5, 2009, at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud.

**Project Scope:** This project consists of pre-heating domestic water using water heated from existing solar panels and a double wall brazed plate heat exchanger. Domestic water will also be pre-heated using the rejected heat from existing air compressors.

A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 24, 2009, in Room (2-143) on the campus of Dakota County Technical College. The Architect/Engineer and/or College/University Representatives will review the bidding procedures, Bidding Documents and other conditions with interested Bidders and answer questions.

Bidding Documents as prepared by the Project Architect/Engineer; TKDA, 444 Cedar Street, Suite 1500, Saint Paul, Minnesota, are on file at the offices of the:

- 1) above named Project Architect/Engineer.
- 2) following Builders' Exchanges Minneapolis and Saint Paul.
- 3) McGraw Hill Construction Plan Room
- 5) MEDA Minority Contractors Plan Room
- 6) National Association of Minority Contractors of Upper Midwest

Complete sets only of Bidding Documents for use by Bidders in submitting a bid may be obtained at the following address:

#### **TKDA**

444 Cedar Street, Suite 1500 Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101 Telephone: (651) 292-4400

A deposit of \$25.00 is required for each set.

Each bid which totals over \$15,000.00 shall be accompanied by a certified check, payable to **Minnesota State Colleges and Universities**, in the sum of not less than 5% of the total base bid; or a corporate surety bond of a surety company duly authorized to do business in the state of Minnesota in the same amount; which is submitted as bid security, conditioned upon the Bidder entering into a contract with Minnesota State Colleges and Universities in accordance with the terms of the bid.

# Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Dakota County Technical College Seeking Bids for a Sub Micron Particle Size Analyzer

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Dakota County Technical College will receive bids for a Sub Micron Particle Size Analyzer. Bid specifications will be available February 9, 2009 from the Purchasing Department at Dakota County Technical College. Phone: (651) 423-8236.

Sealed bids must be received by Pat Adams at Dakota County Technical College, 1300 - 145th St. E, Rosemount, MN 55068 by 2:00 pm, Tuesday, Feb 24, 2009.

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

Minneapolis Community & Technical College Sealed Bids Sought for *Summer 2009 Class Schedule*, and *Catalog 09-10* (No Mailing)

**NOTICE OF INTENT** to solicit two separate bids: printing and mailing of *Summer 2009 Class Schedule*, and *Catalog 09-10* (no mailing).

**Specifications:** 

Summer schedule will be approximately 16 pages. Bid requested for quantities of 60,000, 70,000 & 80,000 copies. Tabloid-size 10 ¾" x 17" saddle-stitched and trimmed. Refold to 10 ¾" x 8 ½". Image area approximately 9 ¾" x 15 7/8" w/no bleeds. 35# white groundwood offset 80B (if different must specify) self-cover. Cover is black and 2 PMS. Text is black and 1 PMS. The PMS color numbers will be provided later. Request printer with onsite mailing

capabilities. Approximately 45,000 schedules to be mailed using provided mailing lists.

Catalog will be about 368 text pages plus a 4-page cover section. Page image area approximately 7 ¾" W x 10 ¼" H w/bleeds on the front cover and the spine. Catalog-size trim size 8 ¼ "W x 10 ¾" H. Text section 50# vellum offset, cover section 80# gloss cover weight. Text section black ink only on all pages (tabs bleed), cover section blk + 1 pms color/blk (non-bleed). Perfect bind. Provide prices for 8,500. For bids include cost for additional pages in 4 page increments for each bid. Creatives will be provided in .pdf or InDesign format unless specified.

**Print schedule:** Summer schedule to printer tentatively 3/18/09

Catalog to printer tentatively 5/8/09

Deliver schedule and catalog within seven working days of final approved proofs and files.

**Deadline for Bids:** 12:00 p.m. – Wednesday, March 11, 2009

Questions, get bid form (required) and submit bids: E-mail David Tajima: David.Tajima@minneapolis.edu

### Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

### Minneapolis Community & Technical College Notice of Intent to Request Proposals for a Facilities Cleaning Assessment Program and Services

Specifications: Provide a system to assist various MnSCU institutions in auditing and maintaining physical plant facilities state-

wide.

**Deadline:** Monday March 9, 2009 at 2:00 pm

Contact: Michael Noble-Olson

Minneapolis Community and Technical College

1501 Hennepin Avenue Minneapolis, MN 55403

E-mail: michael.noble-olson@minneapolis.edu

# Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Winona State Univiersity Request for Bids for 100 Camera Server Licenses

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Winona State University is seeking bids for 100 camera server licenses.

Bid specifications will be available February 17, 2009 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, March 3, 2009.

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

### **Department of Human Services**

### **Child Support Enforcement Division**

### Request for Proposals for a Contractor to Provide Services to the Minnesota New Hire Reporting Center

The Minnesota Department of Human Services, Child Support Enforcement Division, is seeking a qualified contractor to provide data entry, outreach and reporting services for the State's new hire reporting program.

The purpose of the new hire reporting program is to locate child support obligors through their employer's reporting of newly hired, rehired or recalled employees and independent contractors. The information collected from employers enables the State to establish paternity or child support orders and to withhold court-ordered payments from the obligor's income. This information is also used for purposes of statistical reporting and fraud detection in cooperation with various federal and state agencies.

Contractor must have experience with and knowledge of the new hire reporting program and expertise in data verification, data entry, imaging transmission, magnetic and electronic data transmission, facsimile transmission, interactive voice response system ("IVR"), webbased transmission, and quality control.

The deadline for submitting proposals is Friday, March 20, 2009. To receive a full copy of the Request for Proposals contact the Minnesota Department of Human Services at the following address:

Minnesota Department of Human Services Attention: Jill Roberts

444 Lafayette Road St. Paul, MN 55155-3846 **Phone:** (651) 431-4464

E-mail: Jill.C.Roberts@state.mn.us

Minnesota Board of Nursing

### Notice of Request for Proposals for an Electronic Document Management System

The Minnesota Board of Nursing seeks an Electronic Document Management System. The Board of Nursing is requesting proposals for the purpose of acquiring off-the-shelf EDMS software along with vendor installation, configuration, maintenance and support services. The initial deployment must be completed not later than 6/30/2009.

The Request for Proposals is available from Barry Smith, Chief Information Officer, Minnesota Board of Nursing via email: barry.smith@state.mn.us or it may be accessed on the Board's website at: www.nursingboard.state.mn.us on the home page.

Barry Smith, Chief Information Officer Minnesota Board of Nursing 2829 University Avenue SE #200 Minneapolis, MN 55414

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received at the address above no later than Monday March 2, 2009 at 2:30 PM. **Late proposals will not be considered.** Fax proposals will **not** be considered. Proposals must be submitted both in hard copy and by email in .pdf format. See the text of the RFP for detailed instructions. The receipt of the hardcopy will be used to measure the timeliness of submissions.

Dated: February 17, 2009

### **State Court Administration**

### Request for Proposals for ASD-1 Projects Business Analyst Staff Supplementation

The State of Minnesota, State Court Administration ("STATE") is using a competitive selection process to select up to five (5) Business Analysts who will supplement state staff on efforts that involve implementing complex software functionality. The functionality being implemented already exists in the courts' automated case management system, but is sufficiently complex in nature that each function requires a planned deployment, in addition to modifications to business practices in District Courts implementing the functionality. Some functionality also requires development of XML schemas to support the implementation of batch electronic filing of citations. Pilots to test some of the functionality have been completed and in some instances pilots to test the deployment plans are underway. For the period of this contract, the District Courts having the greatest volume of payable citations will be implemented on the new functionality. Those District Courts are Anoka, Washington, Scott, Dakota, Olmsted, St Louis, Stearns, Hennepin and Ramsey. Some of the functionality may also be implemented at additional sites during the contract period.

The functions included in the RFP are summarized as follows:

- Pre-calculation of the amount of fines and fees that are due, chiefly on petty misdemeanor cases, based on the statutes under which an offense is either charged or disposed. Information accumulated and connected via complex configuration includes the jurisdictions in which offenses took place, the nature of prosecution agreements that exist for those jurisdictions, and statutes governing how fines and fees are assessed. For each charge, there must be one and only one set of fines/fees assessed. Contract analysts assigned to this work will supplement state analysts and be responsible for the identification, development, documentation and implementation of common business practices that will be implemented in each jurisdiction. This functionality is targeted for implementation in the nine District Courts listed above by June 30, 2009 and is referenced as **Auto Assessment**.
- Testing, documentation and deployment of Interactive Voice Response (IVR) and Interactive Web Response (IWR) technologies to allow defendants to pay citations online or over the phone and update the case management system electronically. Both IWR and IVR functionality have been pilot tested and an implementation plan is required that includes incorporation of business practices to use the functions most effectively. Changes in business practices may be required at the state level in addition to the local level. Analysts assigned to this effort will supplement state staff and may be assigned to any or all of the tasks associated with this work. The IVR/IWR functionality deployment has not yet been planned.
- Automated Collections implementation which will incorporate the automated referral to collections of delinquent debt. Some of the functionality to support this has been developed and uniform statewide collection practices are being developed. Contractors assigned to this effort will have accounting or collections experience and understand the processes needed for debt collection.
- Batch Electronic filing of citations, also known as **eCitations** deployment. This is currently being deployed as law enforcement agencies modify or develop systems that can employ electronic messaging capability. The courts have a schema developed as well as queue management functionality being used to validate cases prior to their addition to the courts' case management system. There are multiple law enforcement systems in place statewide which will require modification in order to send batches of citations to the courts case management system. Contractors assigned to this effort will assist the state's Integration team in testing required to accept electronic citations from local law enforcement, and will be experienced in supporting XML schema/adaptor development..
- Design and development of a business model to support **Central Citation Processing**. A candidate model is in place in one District Court and may be the model that is used as the foundation for development of a statewide model. All of the above efforts are viewed as functionality that will support standard business practices so that all citations are handled the same statewide, thus making development of Centralized Citation Processing possible. Contractors assigned to this effort will have substantial experience in the development of business practices. This will also require significant skill in change management.

It is anticipated that statewide implementation of these functions will provide substantial time savings for local court staff. Because of that, this effort has a high priority for the Judicial Branch at a time when budget cuts are forcing us to do business more efficiently with fewer staff.

Submissions must be received in writing no later than 5:00 P.M. CST Wednesday, February 25, 2009. Proposals will be opened the

following business day after the deadline and once opened become accessible to the public. Except for financial stability information submitted in accordance with this RFP, do not place any information in your submission that you do not want revealed to the public. All documentation shipped with the submission, including the submission, will become the property of the STATE. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Questions about the RFP or the selection must be *in writing* and directed to *both* individuals listed below by 02/19/2009 5:00 p.m.

Nancy Kehmeier
State Court Administration
Court Services Division
25 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
St Paul, MN 55155

E-mail: nancy.kehmeier@courts.state.mn.us

Bob Hanson
State Court Administration
IT Division
25 Rev Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
E-mail: bob.hanson@courts.state.mn.us

Questions and answers will be posted by end of day Monday, February 23, 2009 and will be accessible to other vendors and the public.

The tentative selection timeline is to schedule interviews as soon after proposals have been reviewed as possible have a contract in place and work to begin soon thereafter. All work under these contracts must be completed by June 30, 2009.

A full request for proposal is available on the Minnesota Supreme Court website: www.courts.state.mn.us

### **Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)**

### **Engineering Services Division**

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

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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
395 John Ireland Blvd. Mail Stop 680

### **Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)**

### **Engineering Services Division**

### Notice Concerning Professional/Technical Contract Opportunities and Taxpayers' Transportation Accountability Act Notices

**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. Mn/DOT is also posting notices as required by the Taxpayers' Transportation Accountability Act on the above referenced website.

### **Non-State Bids, Contracts & Grants**

The *State Register* also serves as a central marketplace for contracts let out on bid by the public sector. The *State Register* meets state and federal guidelines for statewide circulation of public notices. Any tax-supported institution or government jurisdiction may advertise contracts and requests for proposals from the private sector. It is recommended that contracts and RFPs include the following: 1) name of contact person; 2) institution name, address, and telephone number; 3) brief description of commodity, project or tasks; 4) cost estimate; and 5) final submission date of completed contract proposal. Allow at least three weeks from publication date (four weeks from the date article is submitted for publication). Surveys show that subscribers are interested in hearing about contracts for estimates as low as \$1,000. Contact editor for futher details.

### **Metropolitan Council**

# Invitation for Prequalification for Contractors and Subcontractors for Blue Lake WWTP Phase 1 Liquids Improvements Project CONTRACT 08P035

Prequalification Submittal Documents (PSDs) are solicited by the Metropolitan Council ("Council") for the purpose of establishing a list of prequalified CONTRACTORS and major SUBCONTRACTORS to provide the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements construction work for the Council's Blue Lake Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Phase1 Liquids Improvements Project. The Blue Lake WWTP is located in Shakopee, Minnesota.

The CONTRACTOR or SUBCONTRACTOR shall self-perform the Wastewater Treatment Plant construction work. SUBCONTRACTOR disciplines include: process mechanical, HVAC mechanical, electrical (power), electrical (controls) and system integrator.

The Liquids Improvement project scope encompasses approximately \$60 to \$80 million of liquid Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements, including process retrofit and rehabilitation, construction of one new aeration tank and tunnel extension, miscellaneous equipment replacement and additions; building additions and approximately 5,000 square feet of new buildings; electrical rehabilitation and replacement, HVAC unit replacement and addition, and controls systems replacement.

The Council intends to use a two-step process to prequalify contractors and award these projects. In this first step, CONTRACTORS and SUBCONTRACTORS are invited to submit PSDs, which will be evaluated based upon the prequalification criteria of the project. Contractors may submit for prequalification for the Liquids project, Solids project or both projects.

After evaluating the submitted PSDs, the Council will inform each CONTRACTOR of its prequalification status for each project. In the second step, the Council will issue an Invitation for Bids for the project. BIDS FOR THE PROJECTS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED FROM CONTRACTORS AND MAJOR SUBCONTRACTORS THAT HAVE BEEN PREQUALIFIED BY THE COUNCIL.

CONTRACTORS and major SUBCONTRACTORS interested in obtaining an Invitation for Prequalification should submit a written request to:

Miriam Lopez-Rieth, Senior Administrative Assistant

Metropolitan Council 390 North Robert Street St. Paul, Minnesota 55101 **Phone:** (651) 602-1095

Fax: (651) 602-1083

E-mail: miriam.lopez-rieth@metc.state.mn.us

The tentative schedule for the procurement is as follows:

Invitation for Prequalification Issued February 10, 2009

PSD Due March 2, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. local time

Notification of Successful Prequalification

Invitation for Bids

March 9, 2009

Due Date of Bids

April 22, 2009

### **Metropolitan Council**

# Invitation for Prequalification for Contractors and Subcontractors for Blue Lake WWTP Solids Improvements Project CONTRACT NUMBER 09P001

Prequalification Submittal Documents (PSDs) are solicited by the Metropolitan Council ("Council") for the purpose of establishing a list of prequalified CONTRACTORS and major SUBCONTRACTORS to provide the Wastewater Treatment Plant improvements construction work for the Council's Blue Lake WWTP Solids Improvements Project. The Blue Lake WWTP is located in Shakopee, Minnesota.

The CONTRACTOR or SUBCONTRACTOR shall self-perform the Wastewater Treatment Plant construction work. SUBCONTRACTOR disciplines include: process mechanical, HVAC mechanical, electrical (power), electrical (controls) and system integrator.

The Solids Improvement project scope encompasses approximately \$45 to \$55 million of solids system construction, including four digester tanks, each approximately 1.7 MG; construction of a two story support system building (28,000 sf) and tunnel extension; construction of a 4,800 sf chemical handling building; miscellaneous mechanical equipment and gas handling systems; installation of HVAC, electrical and process support systems and controls system installation.

The Council intends to use a two-step process to prequalify contractors and award these projects. In this first step, CONTRACTORS and SUBCONTRACTORS are invited to submit PSDs, which will be evaluated based upon the prequalification criteria of the project. Contractors may submit for prequalification for the Liquids project, Solids project or both projects.

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PSD Due March 2, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. local time

Notification of Successful Prequalification March 9, 2009
Invitation for Bids April 20, 2009

Due Date of Bids May 20, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. local time

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### **Metropolitan Council**

## Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Project Management Software and Vendor Services

**Contract Number 09P010** 

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting proposals to provide an industry-specific hosted software application and consulting services to support the project and contract management responsibilities of the Central Corridor Project Office for the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit project. The *anticipated* schedule for this procurement is as follows:

Issue Request for ProposalsFebruary 17, 2009Questions DueMarch 3, 2009Proposals DueMarch 19, 2009Award ContractMay 2009

The RFP documents are available for download for a non-refundable cost of \$10.00 at www.metrocouncil.org (see Doing Business with the Council) or www.questcdn.com. Input QuestCDN eBidDoc<sup>TM</sup> Number 808902 on the website's Project Search page. Contact QuestCDN.com at (952) 233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in downloading and working with the digital documents.

Questions concerning the content of the RFP documents may be directed to:

Auburn Dees RFP Administrator Metropolitan Council 390 North Robert Street St. Paul, MN 55101 **Phone:** (651) 602-1346

E-mail: auburn.dees@metc.state.mn.us

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