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The Department of Revenue began issuing Revenue Notices in July of 1991. Revenue Notices are statements of policy made by the department that provide interpretation, detail, or supplementary information concerning a particular statute, rule, or departmental practice. The authority to issue Revenue Notices is found in *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 270C.07.

KEY: Underlining indicates additions to existing language. Strikeouts indicate deletions from existing language.

#### **Department of Revenue**

#### Revenue Notice # 09-07: Corporate Franchise Tax – Property Factor; Drop Shipping

This revenue notice explains the situs of inventory for the purpose of determining the property factor under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 290.191, subdivision 10 when the inventory is delivered by drop shipping.

Drop shipping occurs when a taxpayer provides its customer orders and shipment details directly to a manufacturer, wholesaler or shipper. The manufacturer, wholesaler or shipper then delivers or has delivered inventory directly to the taxpayer's customer on behalf of the taxpayer. The taxpayer takes ownership of the inventory during shipment to the taxpayer's customer even though the taxpayer does not accept physical delivery of the inventory at a facility that it owns.

Under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 290.191, subdivision 2(2), the numerator of the property factor includes the taxpayer's "total tangible property used in this state in connection with the trade or business during the tax period." The tangible property included in the property factor is the average of the total property used by the taxpayer in connection with its business during the tax period in accordance with *Minnesota Statutes*, section 290.191, subdivision 9. Under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 290.191, subdivision 10(a), tangible property includes "inventories" and "other tangible personal property actually used by the taxpayer."

For inventory being delivered by drop shipment the place most closely connected to the taxpayer's use of the inventory is the place most connected to the taxpayer's economic benefit – the point of destination. Thus, it is appropriate that such inventory is included in the numerator of the taxpayer's property factor based on the destination state. Therefore, inventory in transit to a Minnesota destination is inventory used in Minnesota by the taxpayer in carrying on its business activities and is included in the numerator of the taxpayer's Minnesota property factor.

Publication Date: August 24, 2009 Elizabeth Kadoun, Assistant Commissioner for Tax Policy and External Relations
Minnesota Department of Revenue

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

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#### Department of Health

## Division of Compliance Monitoring Managed Care Systems Section Notice of Application for Essential Community Provider Status

Notice of Application for Essential Community Provider Status

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an applications for designation as an Essential Community Provider (ECP) has been submitted to the Commissioner of Health by West Side Community Health Services, Inc., 153 Cesar Chavez St., St. Paul, MN 55107.

An ECP is a health care provider that serves high-risk, special needs, and underserved individuals. In order to be designated as an ECP, a provider must demonstrate that it meets the requirements of *Minnesota Statutes* Section 62Q.19 and *Minnesota Rules* Chapter 4688. The public is allowed 30 days from the date of the publication of this notice to submit written comments on the application. The commissioner will approve or deny the application once the comment period and compliance review is complete.

For more information contact:

Mary Ann Fena Managed Care Systems Section Division of Compliance Monitoring Department of Health P.O. Box 64882 St. Paul, MN 55164-0882

**Phone:** (651) 201-5164

### Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Notice of Hearing on Bond Issues for Qualified Mortgage Bonds

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (the "Agency") will hold a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, 400 Sibley Street, Suite 300, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, for the purposes of taking public testimony regarding the issuance of qualified mortgage bonds, comprising one or more series, in an aggregate

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principal amount not exceeding \$500,000,000. The bonds will be issued as qualified mortgage bonds subject to the mortgage eligibility requirements of Section 143 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and, after payment of expenses and funding of reserves, will provide approximately \$490,000,000 of mortgage loans to certain low and moderate income, first-time homebuyers of single family owner-occupied residences located throughout the State of Minnesota, which homebuyers qualify under the Agency's single family mortgage program and applicable federal tax law. The Agency's single family mortgage program is further described in the MHFA Mortgage Program Procedural Manual, a copy of which may be obtained from the Agency. Said bonds may be issued either as refunding bonds to refund certain outstanding bonds of the Agency or as "new money" bonds using a portion of the Agency's state bond volume allocation, and may be issued either as short-term bonds, subject to refunding or remarketing at a subsequent date on a long-term, fixed or variable rate basis, or as long-term, fixed or variable rate bonds on original issuance. The bonds covered by this hearing notice, up to an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$500,000,000, are anticipated to be issued periodically to fund the Program during the calendar years 2009 and 2010, until fully utilized.

Parties wishing to comment on the financing program may appear in person at the hearing or may submit written comments to the undersigned prior to the hearing, which comments will be considered at the hearing. Parties desiring additional information should contact

Ms. Sharon Bjostad of the Agency Phone: (651) 282-2577

Dan Bartholomay, Commissioner Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

#### **Department of Human Services**

### Health Services and Medical Management

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### Authorization List of All Drugs That Have Been Added Requiring Authorization as a Condition of Minnesota Health Care Programs (MHCP) Payment

The following is a listing of added drugs to the current authorization list. The newly added drug codes will require authorization on or after September 1, 2009.

As authorized by *Minnesota Statutes*, section 256B.0625, subd 25, the following list includes all drugs that have been added requiring authorization as a condition of MHCP payment. The criteria used to develop this list are as follows:

- A. The health service could be considered, under some circumstances, to be of questionable medical necessity.
- B. Use of the health service needs monitoring to control the expenditure of program funds.
- C. Less costly, appropriate alternatives to the health service are generally available.
- D. The health service is investigative.
- E. The health service is newly developed or modified.
- F. The health service is of a continuing nature and requires monitoring to prevent its continuation when it ceases to be beneficial.
- G. The health service is comparable to a service provided in a skilled nursing facility or hospital but is provided in a recipient's home.
- H. The health service could be considered cosmetic.

These newly added non preferred drugs will require Authorization for services provided on or after September 1, 2009. DRUGS

Added Drugs acetic acid/hydrocortisone otic Synagis (palivizumab) Xopenex HFA (levabuterol)

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#### Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

#### **Labor Standards Unit**

### Notice of CORRECTION and ADDITION to Commercial Prevailing Wage and Highway Heavy Rates

Corrections and additional rates have been added to the Commercial Prevailing Wage Rates certified 01/20/09, and the Highway Heavy Rates certified 10/20/08 for the following Counties and Regions:

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Group 3 (305, 306, 307) in Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Lake, St Louis, Itasca, Goodhue, Rice, Blue Earth, Clay, Faribault, Grant, Koochiching, Martin, Nicollet, Ottertail, Waseca, Watonwan, and Wilkin Counties. Region 2, Region 6, Region 7, Region 9 and Region 10.

Group 4 (308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316) in Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Wright, Lake, St Louis, Itasca, Dodge, Freeborn, Goodhue, Rice, Steele, Wabasha, Aitkin, Beltrami, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Chippewa, Cottonwood, Faribault, Isanti, Koochiching, Lac Qui Parle, Lake of the Woods, Martin, McLeod, Mille Lacs, Stevens, Swift, and Waseca Counties. Region 1, Region 2, Region 6, Region 7, Region 8, and Region 9.

Labor Code 404 Carpenters in Redwood County.

Copies with the corrected and added certified wage rate for these Counties or Regions 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: <a href="https://www.doli.state.mn.us">www.doli.state.mn.us</a>. 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**

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#### **Department of Revenue**

### Request for Proposals for Grants to Provide Taxpayer Assistance Services to Low Income and Disadvantaged Minnesota Residents

#### **Program Background**

The Minnesota Department of Revenue is soliciting proposals from non-profit organizations, qualifying under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, to receive grants to coordinate, facilitate, encourage, and aid in the provision of taxpayer assistance services.

"Taxpayer-assistance services" include accounting and tax-preparation services provided by volunteers to low-income and disadvantaged Minnesota residents to help them file federal and state income tax returns, Minnesota property tax refund claims and to provide personal representation before the Minnesota Department of Revenue and the Internal Revenue Service.

Pursuant to *Laws of Minnesota 2005*, First Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 11, Section 9, the Commissioner of Revenue has authority to issue grants totaling \$400,000 for the 2010 - 2011 biennium. The Department of Revenue will issue grants totaling \$200,000 each fiscal year (July 1 through June 30). The Department intends to award \$200,000 this year.

#### **Funded Activities**

- 1. Recruitment of volunteers to provide taxpayer-assistance services.
- 2. Training of volunteers to provide taxpayer-assistance services.
- 3. Provision of free taxpayer-assistance services to low-income or disadvantaged people.
- 4. Materials and/or equipment that directly aids in tax preparation.

Organizations awarded grant funding will be notified on or before October 1, 2009.

All proposals must be received no later than 2:00 p.m., September 14, 2010, in the manner specified in the Request for Proposals document. Late proposals will not be accepted.

A complete copy of the Request for Proposals may be obtained from:

Contracts Unit
Minnesota Department of Revenue

#### **State Grants & Loans**

Mail Station 4220

St. Paul, MN 55146-4220 **E-mail:** dor.rfp@state.mn.us **Fax:** (651) 556-3122

Please refer to this notice in your written request. In your request include your complete street mailing address, email address, phone number and fax number.

Copies of the Request for Proposals are available free of change on paper or electronically.

#### **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.

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**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:

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#### State Contracts

## Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Normandale Community College Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Media Buying Agent

Normandale Community College will receive proposals for a media buying agent which will provide advertising/media planning, negotiating, placement, resizing of advertisements, auditing and record-keeping with multiple broadcast and print media outlets.

For additional information or to request a copy of the Request for Proposal contact:

Mary Solverson, Marketing Communications

Normandale Community College

9700 France Ave S

Bloomington, MN 55431-4399 **Telephone:** (952) 487 8192 **Fax:** (952 487 8101)

**E-mail:** mary.solverson@normandale.edu

Proposals are due by 12 noon, CDT, Wednesday, September 2, 2009.

Send proposals to: Attn: Terry Pelzel, Suite C-1092, 9700 France Ave. S., Bloomington, MN 55431-4399

This notice and the Request for Proposal do not obligate the State of Minnesota, the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system or Normandale College to award a contract and each reserves its right to withdraw from the RFP if it is considered to be in its best interest.

#### Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

#### **Normandale Community College**

Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Owner's Representative Services for: Normandale Community College, Bloomington, MN – Kopp Student Center New and Renovation Project

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State College and Universities, on behalf of Normandale Community College, is soliciting proposals from interested, qualified consultants for Owner's Representative Services for the above referenced project.

A full Request for Proposals is available on the Normandale Community College website: http://www.normandale.edu/rfp/fo/index.cfm

A copy of the pre-design is available for review at the college by appointment by contacting *gail.scheid@normandale.edu*. An informational meeting is scheduled for **10:00 a.m.**, **Tuesday**, **August 25**, **2009** at Normandale Community College, in **Room F1265**, 9700 France Avenue South, Bloomington, MN 55431. All firms interested in this meeting should contact Gail Scheid, at (952) 487-8159 or *gail.scheid@normandale.edu* to sign up to attend the meeting.

Proposals must be delivered to **Room C2107 of the College Service Building**, 9700 France Avenue South, Bloomington, MN 55431 **not later than 2:00 p.m., Monday, August 31, 2009**. Late responses will **NOT** be considered.

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#### **Riverland Community College**

### Request for Bid for Mechanical Drives, Hydraulic, Electric Motor Control Learning Ststems

Riverland Community College is requesting sealed bids for the following: a Mechanical Drives Learning Systems 1, 2 and 3; Vibration Analysis Learning Systems; Hydraulics Learning Systems 1, 2 and 3; Hydraulics Power Supply; Hydraulics Satelitte Kit; Electric Motor Control Learning Systems; Prony Brake; and Fault Troubleshooting System. This will be considered as one bid.

Interested parties must contact Bob Bender at 1-800-247-5039, ext. 3343 or e-mail: bob.bender@riverland.edu to obtain specifications for bid. Bids submitted by parties without having obtained specifications will not be considered.

Sealed bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8, 2009, at which time they will be opened and read.

Bids should be addressed to:

Page Petersen
West Building Business Office
Riverland Community College
1900 8th Ave NW
Austin, MN 55912

And endorsed: Mechanical Drives, Hydraulic, Electric Motor Control Learning Systems

Riverland Community College reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive technicalities in bids, and to delay final award of bid for a period of fifteen days after opening of bids.

## Minnesota Department of Public Safety State Patrol Division (Patrol)

#### Request for Proposals for the Minnesota Light Rail Safety Oversight Program

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety, State Patrol Division is requesting proposals from professional organizations to provide the Patrol with assistance is the management and implementation of the State's Light Rail Safety Oversight Program related to the Light Rail Fixed Guideway System. Services will include auditing established Safety and Security Plans, and compliance of the Metro Transit with the standards set forth in the Minnesota Rail Safety Oversight Program Standards and Procedures, and the Federal Transit Administration rules and regulations as described in Federal Statute 49 CFR part 659.

Details are contained in a complete Request for Proposals (RFP) which may be obtained by e-mail from: *Tim.Rogotzke@state.mn.us* All questions concerning this RFP must be submitted via e-mail to: *Tim.Rogotzke@state.mn.us*, no later than 2:00 P.M., Central Daylight Time, on September 1, 2009. Final date for submitting proposals is 2:00 P.M., Central Daylight Time, on September 11, 2009. Late proposals will not be considered.

This request for Proposal does not obligate the State to complete the proposed project and the State reserves the right to cancel solicitation if it is considered to be in the State's best interest. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice shall be borne by the responder.

The DPS will retain the option to extend the contract, with the selected contractor's consent, for up to three additional one-year periods. The value of the contract for subsequent years may be adjusted.

#### State Contracts

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

#### **Engineering Services Division**

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

This document is available in alternative formats for persons with disabilities by calling Juanita Voigt at (651) 366-4774 for persons who are hearing or speech impaired by calling Minnesota Relay Service at (800) 627-3529.

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

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

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

Send completed application material to:

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

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

#### Office of Investment Management

### Request for Proposals (RFP) for Optimal Timing of Preventive Maintenance for Addressing Environmental Aging in Hot-Mix Asphalt Pavements

It is the goal of this project to determine the proper timing (year 0, year 1, year 3, year 7, etc...) of a surface treatment in order to mitigate the aging process while optimizing life cycle costs and pavement performance to accomplish this goal the most common causes of environmental aging will be studied. This research project requires a mixture of fundamental analyses based on laboratory experiments and field investigations. The timing of the surface treatment is related to the aging and distresses that develop in asphalt pavements over time. Ideally, a surface treatment should be applied at the proper time to provide a balance between extending the life of the pavement and cost effectiveness. Many state and local agencies consider surface treatments for extending the life of asphalt pavements. However, the optimal time to apply the first (and subsequent) treatments is still up for debate.

The full RFP can be viewed on the Consultant Services Web Page at: http://www.dot.state.mn.us/consult/files/notices/notices.html.

If you have any questions regarding this advertisement, or are having problems viewing the RFP on the Consultant Services Web Page, you may contact:

Ashley Duran, Contract Administrator

E-mail: ashley.duran@dot.state.mn.us

**Telephone:** (651) 366-4627

NOTE: Responses will be due on Wednesday, October 7, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. Central Daylight Time.

#### **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.

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

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