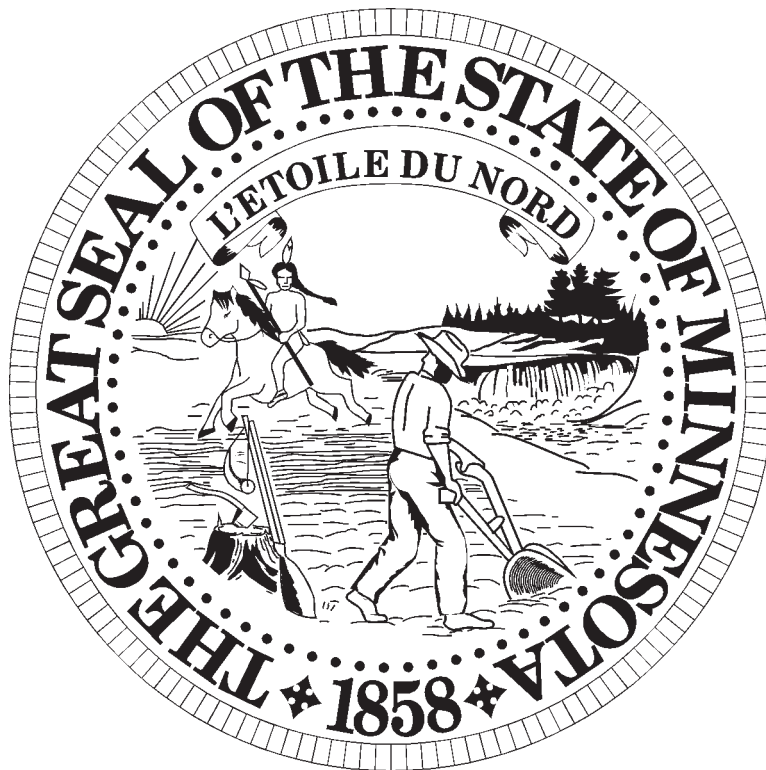


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Department of Labor and Industry

Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Building Code Administration

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 31, Number 32, pages 981-983, February 5, 2007 (31 SR 981), are adopted with the following modifications:

1300.0040 SCOPE.

The code applies to the construction, alteration, moving, demolition, repair, and use of any building, structure, or building service equipment in a municipality, except work located primarily in a public way, public utility towers and poles, mechanical equipment not specifically regulated in the code, and hydraulic flood control structures. Structures classified under part 1300.0070, subpart 12a, as IRC-1, IRC-2, IRC-3, and IRC-4 occupancies not more than three stories above grade plane in height with separate means of egress shall comply with chapter 1309 and other applicable rules. Other buildings and structures and appurtenances connected or attached to them shall comply with chapter 1305 and other applicable rules.

Exception: The following structures that meet the scope of chapter 1305 shall be designed to comply with *Minnesota Rules*, chapter 1311:

1300.0070 DEFINITIONS.

Subp. ~~4~~: 10a. **Family adult day services.** "Family adult day services" means a program providing services for up to eight functionally impaired adults for less than 24 hours per day in the license holder's primary residence according to *Minnesota Statutes*, section 245A.143. This includes programs located in residences licensed by the Department of Human Services for adult foster care, provided that not more than eight adults, excluding staff, are present in the residence at any time.

[For text of subp subs 11 and 12, see M.R.]

1300.0120 PERMITS.

Subpart 1. **Required.** An owner or authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of a building or structure, ~~or to~~ erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert, or replace any gas, mechanical, electrical, plumbing system, or other equipment, the installation of which is regulated by the code; or cause any such work to be done, shall first make application to the building official and obtain the required permit.

1300.0230 BOARD OF APPEALS.

Subpart 1. **Local board of appeals.** In order to hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions, or determinations made by the building official relative to the application and interpretation of this code, there shall be and is hereby created a board of appeals. The building official shall be an ex officio member of said board but shall have no vote on any matter before the board. The board of appeals shall be designated by the governing body. Appeals hearings must occur within ten working days from the date the municipality receives a properly completed application for appeal. If an appeals hearing is not held within this time, the applicant may appeal directly to the State Building Code Appeals Board.

The board shall adopt rules of procedures for conducting its business and shall render all decisions and findings in writing to the appellant with a duplicate copy to the building official and to the state building official within five working days of the decision. For jurisdictions without a board of appeals, the appellant may appeal to an appeals board assembled by the state of Minnesota, Department of ~~Administration's Building Codes and Standards~~ Labor and Industry's Construction Codes and Licensing Division.

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Department of Labor and Industry

Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Building Code; Fire Suppression Systems

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 31, Number 37, pages 1235-1237, March 12, 2007 (31 SR 1235), are adopted with the following modifications:

1306.0020 MUNICIPAL OPTION.

Subp. 2. **Existing and new buildings.** Automatic sprinkler systems for new buildings, buildings increased in total floor area (including the existing building), or buildings in which the occupancy classification has changed, must be installed and maintained in operational condition within the structure. The requirements of this subpart apply to structures that fall within the occupancy classifications established in part 1306.0030, items A to E D.

Exceptions ~~Exception:~~

1. The floor area of minor additions that do not increase the occupant load does not have to be figured into the square footage for occupancy classifications established in part 1306.0030, items A to E D.

~~2. The existing portion of R-2 apartment occupancies, attached R-3 occupancies, and attached townhomes is not required to be sprinklered under this chapter.~~

Subp. 3. **New buildings.** Automatic sprinkler systems for new buildings, additions to existing buildings, or buildings in which the occupancy classification has changed must be installed and maintained in operational condition within the structure. The requirements of this subpart apply to structures that fall within the occupancy classifications established in part 1306.0030, items A to E D.

Exception: The floor area of minor additions that do not increase the occupant load does not have to be figured into the square footage for occupancy classifications established in part 1306.0030, items A to E D.

1306.0030 REQUIREMENTS.

For purposes of this chapter, area separation, fire barriers, or fire walls do not establish separate buildings. Gross square footage (gsf) means the floor area as defined in the International Building Code. The floor area requirements established in items A to E D are based on the gross square footage of the entire building and establish thresholds for these requirements. The following occupancy groups must comply with sprinkler requirements of this chapter, unless specified otherwise:

[For text of items C to E and D, see M.R.]

~~E. Optional occupancy group municipality may choose option 1 or option 2:~~

~~1. Group R-1 and R-2 occupancies with 8,500 or more gross square feet of floor area or dwelling units or guestrooms on three or more floors; and attached R-3 occupancies and attached townhouses built to the International Residential Code with 8,500 or more gross square feet of floor area. All floors, basements, and garages are included in this floor area threshold.~~

~~2. Attached R-3 occupancies and attached townhouses built to the International Residential Code with more than 16 dwelling units or more than three stories in height.~~

1306.0070 REPORTING.

A municipality must submit a copy of the ordinance adopting this chapter to the Department of Labor and Industry, Construction Codes and Licensing Division. The ordinance does not go into effect until:

B. the ordinance has been approved by the division.

An ordinance is deemed automatically approved by the division if the municipality has not been informed that the ordinance has not been approved within ten working days of the division's receipt of the ordinance.

(NOTE: This Notice of Adoption was originally published at 31 SR 1165. The publication of the notice was withdrawn at 31 SR 1646, and the Department is now republishing the notice.)

Department of Labor and Industry**Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to International Building Code**

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 31, Number 13, pages 402-404, September 25, 2006 (31 SR 402), are adopted with the following modifications:

1305.0011 ADOPTION OF INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE BY REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY.

Subpart 1. **General.** For purposes of this chapter, "IBC" means the 2006 edition of the International Building Code as promulgated by the International Code Council, Falls Church, Virginia. The IBC is incorporated by reference and made part of the Minnesota State Building Code except as qualified by the applicable provisions in chapter 1300, part 1305.0021, and as amended in this chapter. Portions of this chapter reproduce text and tables from the IBC. The IBC is not subject to frequent change and a copy of the IBC, with amendments for use in Minnesota, is available in the office of the commissioner of labor and industry. The IBC is copyright 2006 by the International Code Council, Inc. All rights reserved.

1305.0310 SECTION 310 RESIDENTIAL GROUP R.

IBC Section 310.1 is amended to read as follows:

310.1 Residential Group R. Residential Group R includes, among others, the use of a building or structure, or a portion thereof, for sleeping purposes when not classified as an Institutional Group I ~~or when not regulated by the International Residential Code~~. Residential occupancies shall include the following:

R-1 Residential occupancies containing sleeping units where the occupants are primarily transient in nature, including:

- boarding houses (transient)
- hotels (transient)
- motels (transient)

bed and breakfast facilities with six or more guest rooms. A facility with less than six guest rooms shall be classified as a Group R-3 occupancy.

R-2 Residential occupancies containing sleeping units or more than two dwelling units where the occupants are primarily permanent in nature, including:

- apartment houses
- boarding houses (not transient)
- convents
- dormitories
- fraternities and sororities
- hotels (nontransient)
- monasteries
- motels (nontransient)
- vacation timeshare properties

Congregate living facilities with 16 or fewer occupants are permitted to comply with construction that complies with the requirements for Group R-3.

R-3 Residential occupancies where the occupants are primarily permanent in nature and not classified as R-1, R-2, R-4, or I including:

- buildings that do not contain more than two dwelling units
- adult facilities that provide accommodations for five or fewer persons of any age for less than 24 hours
- child care facilities that provide accommodations for five or fewer persons of any age for less than 24 hours
- congregate living facilities with 16 or fewer persons
- adult and child care facilities

R-4 Residential occupancies shall include buildings arranged for occupancy as residential care/assisted living facilities including more than five but not more than 16 occupants, excluding staff.

Group R-4 occupancies shall meet the requirements for construction as defined for Group R-3 except as otherwise provided for in this code.

1305.0509 SECTION 509, SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

IBC Section 509.2, item 4, exception 2, is amended to read as follows:

- 2. Multiple Group A uses, each with an occupant load of less than 300, or Group B, M, or R uses shall be permitted, in addition to those uses incidental to the

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operation of the building, including storage areas, provided that the entire structure below the horizontal assembly is protected throughout by an approved automatic sprinkler system.

1305.0903 F SECTION 903, AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEMS.

Subp. 1b. F Section 903.2.12.1. IBC F Section 903.2.12.1 is amended to read:

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

1305.1015 SECTION 1015, EXIT AND EXIT ACCESS DOORWAYS.

IBC Section 1015.1 is amended to read as follows:

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

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

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

2. The common path of egress travel exceeds the limitations of Section 1014.3.

3. Where required by Sections 1015.3, 1015.4, and 1015.5.

4. When located in buildings used for educational purposes, laboratories and prep rooms that exceed 500 square feet in area and contain hazardous materials.

Exception: Group I-2 occupancies shall comply with Section 1014.2.2.

Table 1015.1 is unchanged.

1305.2902 SECTION 2902, MINIMUM PLUMBING FACILITIES.

Subp. 3. **Section 2902.2.** IBC Section 2902.2 is amended to read as follows:

2902.2 Separate facilities. Where plumbing fixtures are required, separate facilities shall be provided for each sex.

Exceptions:

1. Separate facilities shall not be required for private facilities dwelling units and sleeping units.

2. ~~Separate employee facilities shall not be required in occupancies in which 15 or less people are employed.~~

~~3. Separate facilities shall not be required in structures or tenant spaces with a total occupant load, including both employees and customers, of 15 or less.~~

3. Separate facilities shall not be required in mercantile occupancies in which the maximum occupant load is 50 or less.

4. Separate facilities shall not be required in Group B occupancies not exceeding 2,000 gross square feet (185.8 m²) of floor area. When using this exception, the individual unisex restroom shall have not less

than one watercloset, one urinal, and one lavatory.

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

Department of Labor and Industry Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Minnesota Accessibility Code

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 31, Number 13, pages 400-402, September 25, 2006 (31 SR 400), are adopted with the following modifications:

1341.0005 INCORPORATION OF CHAPTER 11 OF THE 2006 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE BY REFERENCE.

For purposes of this chapter, "IBC" means the 2006 edition of the International Building Code as promulgated by the International Code Council, Inc., Falls Church, Virginia. Chapter 11 of the IBC is incorporated by reference and made part of the Minnesota State Building Code except as amended in this chapter. Portions of this chapter reproduce text and tables from the IBC. The IBC is not subject to frequent change and a copy of the IBC, with amendments for use in Minnesota, is available in the office of the commissioner of labor and industry. The IBC is copyright 2006 by the International Code Council, Inc. All rights reserved.

1341.0010 REFERENCED STANDARD.

For purposes of this chapter, "ICC A117.1" means the 2003 edition of ICC/ANSI A117.1 as promulgated by the Accredited Standards Committee A117 on Architectural Features and Site Design of Public Buildings and Residential Structures for Persons with Disabilities. The ICC/ANSI A117.1-2003 edition is approved by the American National Standard Institute (ANSI) and owned by the International Code Council, Inc. ICC A117.1 is incorporated by reference in IBC Chapter 11 and made part of the Minnesota State Building Code except as amended in this chapter. Portions of this chapter reproduce text and tables from the ICC A117.1. The ICC A117.1 is not subject to frequent change and a copy of the ICC A117.1, with amendments for use in Minnesota, is available in the office of the commissioner of labor and industry. The ICC A117.1 is copyright 2004 by the International Code Council, Inc. All rights reserved.

1341.0502 A117.1 SECTION 502, PARKING SPACES.

Subp. 3. **A117.1 Section 502.7, Identification.** A117.1 Section 502.7 is amended to read as follows:

502.7 Identification. Accessible parking spaces shall be identified by signs complying with *Minnesota Statutes*, section 169.346, and include the ~~Internation~~ International Symbol of Accessibility complying with Section 703.6.3.1. Where all accessible parking spaces do not provide a minimum vertical clearance of 98 inches (2490 mm), signs identifying van parking spaces shall contain the designation "van accessible." Signs shall be centered at the head end of the parking space a maximum of 96 inches (2440 mm) from the head of the parking space, and be mounted 60 inches (1525 mm) minimum and 66 inches (1676 mm) maximum above the floor of the parking space, measured to the bottom of the sign.

Exception: Parallel parking spaces shall have a sign located on the side, at the head end of the parking space.

1341.0805 A117.1 SECTION 805, TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES.

Subpart 1. **A117.1 Section 805.9, Escalators.** A117.1 Section 805.9 is amended to read as follows:

805.9 Escalators. Where provided, escalators shall have a 32 inch (815 mm) minimum clear width, and shall comply with Requirements 6.1.3.5.6, Step Demarcations, and 6.1.3.6.5, Flat Steps of ASME ~~A117.1~~ A17.1 as referenced in *Minnesota Rules*, chapter 1307, Minnesota Elevator and Related Devices Code.

Exception: Existing escalators shall not be required to comply with Section 805.9.

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

(NOTE: This Notice of Adoption was originally published at 31 SR 1167. The publication of the notice was withdrawn at 31 SR 1646, and the Department is now republishing the notice.)

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Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Minnesota Provisions of the Building Code

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 31, Number 33, pages 1021-1023, February 12, 2007 (31 SR 1021), are adopted as proposed.

Department of Labor and Industry

Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to the Minnesota State Fire Code

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

7510.5520 DEFINITIONS.

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

7511.0705 SECTION 705, SEPARATION OF OCCUPANCIES AND HAZARDOUS AREAS.

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

SECTION 705 SEPARATION OF OCCUPANCIES AND HAZARDOUS AREAS

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

7511.0903 SECTION 903, AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEMS.

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

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

7511.1015 SECTION 1015, EXIT AND EXIT ACCESS DOORWAYS.

IFC Section 1015.1 is amended to read:

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

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

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

7511.1027 SECTION 1027, MEANS OF EGRESS FOR EXISTING BUILDINGS.

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

SECTION 1027 MEANS OF EGRESS FOR EXISTING BUILDINGS

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

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

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

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

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

Occupancy	Common Path Limit		Dead-end Corridor Limit		Travel Distance Limit	
	Unspr (feet)	Spr (feet)	Unspr (feet)	Spr (feet)	Unspr (feet)	Spr (feet)
Group A	20/75 ^a	20/75 ^a	20 ^b	20 ^b	200	250
Group B	75	100	50	50	200	300
Group E	75	75	20	20	200	250
Groups F-1, S1 ^d	75	100	50	50	200	250
Groups F-2, S2 ^d	75	100	50	50	300	400
Group H-1	25	25	0	0	75	75
Group H-2	50	100	0	0	75	100
Group H-3	50	100	20	20	100	150
Group H-4	75	75	20	20	150	175
Group H-5	75	75	20	50	150	200
Group I-1	75	75	20	20	200	250
Group I-2 (Health Care)	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	150	200 ^c
Group I-3	100	100	N/R	N/R	150 ^c	200 ^c
Group I-4 (Day Care)	N/R	N/R	20	20	200	250
Group M (Covered Mall)	75	100	50	50	200	400
Group M (Mercantile)	75	100	50	50	200	250
Group R-1 (Hotels)	75	75	50	50	200	250
Group R-2 (Apartments)	75	75	50	50	200	250
Groups R-3, R-4	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
Group U	75	75	20	20	200	400

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

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

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

~~7510.3401~~ 7511.3401 SECTION 3401, GENERAL.

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

(NOTE: This Notice of Adoption was originally published at 31 SR 1417. The publication of the notice was withdrawn at 31 SR 1646, and the Department is now republishing the notice.)

Department of Labor and Industry Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to the 2006 International Residential Code

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 31, Number 24, pages 743-744, December 11, 2006 (31 SR 743), are adopted with the following modifications:

1309.0202 SECTION R202, DEFINITIONS.

Subp. 2. **Additional definitions.** IRC Section R202 is amended by adding the following definitions:

PAN FLASHING. A type of corrosionresistive flashing that is integrated into the building envelope at the base of a window or door rough opening that diverts incidental water to the exterior surface of a weather-resistive barrier.

1309.0301 SECTION R301, DESIGN CRITERIA.

Subpart 1. **IRC Section R301.1.4.** IRC Section R301.1 is amended by adding a section to read as follows:

R301.1.4.1 State licensed facilities. IRC-1, IRC-2, and IRC-3 buildings containing facilities licensed by the state of Minnesota shall be provided with a fire suppression system as required by the applicable licensing provisions or this section, whichever is more specific restrictive.

Subp. 4. **Table R301.5.** IRC Table R301.5 is amended to read as follows:

TABLE R301.5

MINIMUM UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LIVE LOADS

(in pounds per square foot)

Use	Live Load
<u>Attics with limited storage^{b,g,h}</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Attics without storage^b</u>	<u>10</u>
<u>Decks^e</u>	<u>40</u>
<u>Exterior balconies</u>	<u>60</u>

<u>Fire escapes</u>	<u>40</u>
<u>Guardrails and handrails^d</u>	<u>200ⁱ</u>
<u>Guardrails infill components^f</u>	<u>50ⁱ</u>
<u>Passenger vehicle garages^a</u>	<u>50^a</u>
<u>Rooms other than sleeping rooms</u>	<u>40</u>
<u>Sleeping rooms</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Stairs</u>	<u>40^e</u>

For SI: 1 pound per square foot = 0.0479 kPa, 1 square inch = 645 mm², 1 pound = 4.45 N.

- a. Elevated garage floors shall be capable of supporting a 2,000-pound load applied over a 20-square-inch area.
 - b. Attics without storage are those where the maximum clear height between joist and rafter is less than 42 inches, or where there are not two or more adjacent trusses with the same web configuration capable of containing a rectangle 42 inches high by 2 feet wide, or greater, located within the plane of the truss. For attics without storage, this live load need not be assumed to act concurrently with any other live load requirements.
 - c. Individual stair treads shall be designed for the uniformly distributed live load or a 300-pound concentrated load acting over an area of four square inches, whichever produces the greater stresses.
 - d. A single concentrated load applied in any direction at any point along the top.
 - e. See Section R502.2.1 for decks attached to exterior walls.
 - f. Guard in-fill components (all those except the handrail), balusters and panel fillers shall be designed to withstand a horizontally applied normal load of 50 pounds on an area equal to one square foot. This load need not be assumed to act concurrently with any other live load requirement.
 - g. For attics with limited storage and constructed with trusses, this live load need be applied only to those portions of the bottom chord where there are two or more adjacent trusses with the same web configuration capable of containing a rectangle 42 inches high or greater by 2 feet wide or greater, located within the plane of the truss. The rectangle shall fit between the top of the bottom chord and the bottom of any other truss member, provided that each of the following criteria is met:
 1. The attic area is accessible by a pulldown stairway or framed opening in accordance with Section R807.1;
 2. The truss has a bottom chord pitch less than 2:12; and
 3. Required insulation depth is less than the bottom chord member depth.
- The bottom chords of trusses meeting the above criteria for limited storage shall be designed for the greater of the actual imposed dead load or ten pounds per square foot, uniformly distributed over the entire span.
- h. Attic spaces served by a fixed stair shall be designed to support the minimum live load specified for sleeping rooms.
 - i. Glazing used in handrail assemblies and guards shall be designed with a safety factor of 4. The safety factor shall be applied to each of the concentrated loads applied to the top of the rail, and to the load on the in-fill components. These loads shall be determined independent of one another, and loads are assumed not to occur with any other live load.

1309.0310 SECTION R310, EMERGENCY ESCAPE AND RESCUE OPENINGS.

IRC Section R310.1 is amended to read as follows:

R310.1.5 Replacement windows. Replacement windows installed in buildings meeting the scope of the International Residential Code shall be exempt from the requirements of Sections R310.1, R310.1.1, R310.1.2, and R310.1.3 if the replacement window meets the following conditions:

1. The existing height and width net clear opening shall not be reduced by more than 2 inches (51 mm) in either dimension. The replacement window is the manufacturer's largest standard size window that will fit within the existing frame or existing rough opening. The replacement window shall be permitted to be of the same operating style as the existing window or a style that provides for a greater window opening area than the existing window;
2. The rooms or areas are not used for any Minnesota state licensed purpose requiring an egress window; and

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3. The window is not required to be replaced pursuant to a locally adopted rental housing, ~~property maintenance~~, or rental licensing code.

1309.0311 SECTION R311, MEANS OF EGRESS.

R311.4.3.1 Landings at the exterior exit door required by Section R311.4.1.

1. The floor or landing at the exit door required by Section R311.4.1 shall not be more than 1.5 inches (38 mm) below the top of the threshold, regardless of door swing.

2. The exterior landing ~~may shall~~ be up to 7-3/4 inches (196 mm) below the top of the threshold, provided the door, other than an exterior storm or screen door, does not swing over the exterior landing.

R311.4.3.2 Landings or floors at exterior doors other than those required by Section R311.4.1.

1. The exterior landing ~~may shall~~ be ~~up to~~ permitted to be no greater than 7-3/4 inches (196 mm) below the top of the threshold, provided the door, other than an exterior storm or screen door, does not swing over the exterior landing.

1309.0313 SMOKE ALARMS.

IRC Section R313.2.1 is amended as follows:

R313.2.1 Alterations, repairs, or additions. When alterations, repairs, or additions requiring a permit occur, or when one or more sleeping rooms are added or created in existing dwellings, the individual dwelling unit shall be equipped with smoke alarms located as required for new dwellings, and the smoke alarms shall be interconnected and hardwired.

Exceptions:

1. Interconnection and hardwiring of smoke alarms in existing areas shall not be required to be hardwired where the alterations or repairs do not result in the removal of interior wall or ceiling finishes exposing the structure.
2. Work ~~involving on~~ the exterior surfaces of dwellings, such as the replacement of roofing or siding, ~~or the addition or replacement of windows or doors, or the addition of a porch or deck,~~ are exempt from the requirements of this section.
3. ~~Work Permits~~ involving alterations or repairs to plumbing, electrical, and mechanical permits are exempt from the requirements of this section.

1309.0317 SECTION R317, DWELLING UNIT SEPARATION.

Subpart 1. IRC Section R317.1. IRC Section R317.1 is amended to read as follows:

R317.1 Two-family dwellings. Dwelling units in twofamily dwellings shall be separated from each other by wall ~~or and/or~~ floor assemblies having not less than 1-hour fire-resistance rating when tested in accordance with ASTM E 119. Fire-resistance-rated floor-ceiling and wall assemblies shall extend to and be tight against the exterior wall, and wall assemblies shall extend to and be tight against the exterior wall, and wall assemblies shall extend to the underside of the roof sheathing. ~~Separation shall extend through enclosed soffits, overhangs, and similar spaces.~~

Exceptions:

1. A fire resistance rating of 1/2-hour shall be permitted in buildings equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with ~~Section R301.4~~ NFPA 13.
3. ~~Decks, balconies, patios, stoops, entries, and similar structures with or without privacy fences that are not covered by a roof are not required to be separated in accordance with Section R317.1. All structures within this section shall be structurally independent from each other.~~
4. ~~Decks, patios, stoops, entries and similar structures with roofs are not required to be separated in accordance with Section R317.1 or the requirements of this section provided each individual deck, patio,~~

stoop, entry, or similar structure does not exceed 40 square feet. The separation shall extend to the edge of the roof as follows:

- a. If the roof is open or the soffit is attached directly to the rafters, separation is not required.
- b. If the roof structure is trusses or similar to a roof truss system with open space between the top and bottom chords, the separation shall extend through the edge of the roof including soffits, overhangs, or similar spaces and be supported by a post of not less than 6 inches (152 mm) nominal width and not less than 8 inches (203 mm) nominal depth. The post supporting the separation may be eliminated if a beam is provided of not less than 2 pieces of not less than 2 inches (51 mm) nominal width and not less than 8 inches (203 mm) nominal depth and posts supporting the beam are of not less than 6 inches (152 mm) nominal width and 8 inches (203 mm) nominal depth.
- c. If the roof structure is a continuation of the dwelling unit roof, the separation shall extend through the edge of the roof including soffits, overhangs, and similar structures, and be supported by a post of not less than 6 inches (152 mm) nominal width and 8 inches (203 mm) nominal depth and the entire ceiling/soffit is provided with 5/8 inch (15.9 mm) type X gypsum board.

Subp. 2. **IRC Section 317.2.** IRC Section 317.2 is amended to read as follows:

R317.2 Townhouses. Each townhouse shall be considered a separate building and shall be separated by fire-resistance-rated wall assemblies meeting the requirements of Section R302 for exterior walls.

Exceptions:

1. A common 2-hour fire-resistance-rated wall is permitted for townhouses if such walls do not contain plumbing or mechanical equipment, ducts or vents in the cavity of the common wall. Electrical installations shall be installed in accordance with *Minnesota Rules, chapter 1315 chapters 33 through 42*. Penetrations of electrical outlet boxes shall be in accordance with Section R317.3.
2. Decks, balconies, patios, stoops, entries, and similar structures with or without privacy fences, that are not covered by a roof are not required to be separated in accordance with Section R317.2. All structures within this section shall be structurally independent from each other.
3. Decks, patios, stoops, entries, and similar structures with roofs are not required to be separated in accordance with Section R317.2 or the requirements of this section provided each individual deck, patio, stoop, entry, or similar structure does not exceed 40 square feet. The separation shall extend to the edge of the roof as follows:
 - a. If the roof is open or the soffit is attached directly to the rafters, separation is not required.
 - b. If the roof structure is trusses or similar to a

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roof truss system with open space between the top and bottom chords, the separation shall extend through the edge of the roof including soffits, overhangs, or similar spaces and be supported by a post of not less than 6 inches (152 mm) nominal width and not less than 8 inches (203 mm) nominal depth. The post supporting the separation may be eliminated if a beam is provided of not less than 2 pieces that are not less than 2 inches (51 mm) nominal width and not less than 8 inches (203 mm) nominal depth and the posts supporting the beam are not less than 6 inches (152 mm) nominal width and 8 inches (203 mm) nominal depth.

c. If the roof structure is a continuation of the dwelling unit roof, the separation shall extend through the edge of the roof including soffits, overhangs, and similar structures, and be supported by a post of not less than 6 inches (152 mm) nominal width and 8 inches (203 mm) nominal depth and the entire ceiling/soffit is provided with 5/8 inch (15.9 mm) type X gypsum board.

R317.2.1 Continuity. The fire-resistance-rated wall or assembly separating townhouses shall be continuous from the foundation to the underside of the roof sheathing, roof deck, or roof slab. ~~The fire-resistance rating and shall extend the full length of the wall or assembly,~~ including wall extensions through and separating attached ~~enclosed~~ accessory structures. Separation shall extend through enclosed soffits, overhangs, and similar projections.

1309.0318 SECTION R318, MOISTURE VAPOR RETARDERS.

IRC Section R318.1 is amended to read as follows:

R318.1 Moisture control Vapor retarders. In all above grade framed walls, floors, and roof/ceilings comprising elements of the building thermal envelope, a vapor retarder shall be installed on the warm side of the insulation. Vapor retarders installed under a concrete floor slab shall comply with section R506.2.3.

1309.0403 SECTION R403, FOOTINGS.

Subpart 1. **IRC Section R403.1.4.1.** IRC Section R403.1.4.1 is amended to read as follows:

R403.1.4.1 Frost protection. Except where otherwise protected from frost, foundation walls, piers, and other permanent supports of buildings and structures shall be protected from frost by one or more of the following methods:

1. Extended below the frost line specified in Table R301.2(1);
2. Constructing in accordance with Section R403.3;
3. Constructing in accordance with ASCE 32;
4. Erected on solid rock; or
5. Constructing in accordance with chapter 1303.

Exception: Decks not supported by a dwelling need not be provided with footings that extend below the frost line.

Subp. 2. **IRC Section R403.1.6.** IRC Section R403.1.6 is amended to read as follows:

1309.0613 SECTION R613, EXTERIOR WINDOWS AND GLASS DOORS.

Subpart 1. **Section R613.1.** IRC Section R613.1 is amended to read as follows:

R613.1 General. This section prescribes performance and construction requirements for exterior window systems installed in wall systems. Windows and doors shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions. Installation instructions shall be provided by the manufacturer for each exterior window or door type.

Subp. 2. **Section R613.2.** IRC Section R613.2 is deleted in its entirety.

1309.0703 SECTION R703, EXTERIOR COVERING.

Subp. 3. **Section R703.6.** IRC Section R703.6 is amended to read as follows:

R703.6.3 Water-resistive barriers. Water-resistive barriers shall be installed as required in Section R703.2 and, where applied over wood-based sheathing, shall include two layers of a water-resistive vapor-permeable barrier. Each layer shall meet both of the following requirements:

1. A water resistance not less than that of 60-minute Grade D paper; or a minimum hydrostatic head of 60.9 cm when tested in accordance with hydrostatic pressure test method AATCC 1271998; or a minimum water transudation time of 60 minutes when tested in accordance with ASTM D-779.

2. A water vapor permeance not less than that of no. 15 felt; or a minimum permeance rating of 8.5 gr/h.ft.² in Hg (US perm) (4.9×10^{10} kg/Pa.s.m²) when tested in accordance with Procedure B of ASTM E96.

Exception: One layer of water-resistive barrier complying with R703.2 is permitted when a drainage space that allows bulk water to flow freely behind the cladding is provided.

Subp. 8a. **Section R703.7.4.2.** IRC Section R703.7.4.2 is amended to read as follows:

R703.7.4.2 Air space. The veneer shall be separated from the sheathing by an air space of a minimum of a nominal 1 inch (25 mm) but not more than 4 1/2 inches (114 mm).

Exception: One layer of water-resistive barrier complying with Section R703.2 is permitted when a drainage space that allows bulk water to flow freely behind the cladding is provided.

Subp. 8a 8b. **Section R703.7.4.3.** IRC Section R703.7.4.3 is amended to read as follows:

Subp. 9. **Section R703.8.** IRC Section R703.8 is amended to read as follows:

R703.8.1 Pan flashing of windows and doors. A pan flashing shall be provided under all exterior windows and doors. Pan flashing shall be (a) sloped to drain water to the exterior surface of a weather-resistive barrier or flat with sealed back dam and side dams to prevent re-entry of water into the wall cavity or onto interior finishes, and (b) maintain the thermal envelope of the building. Pan flashing made from metal must be thermally isolated from interior surfaces.

Exceptions:

1. Windows or doors installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions which include an alternate flashing method.
2. Windows or doors in detached accessory structures.
3. Skylights, bow or bay windows.
4. Doors required to meet accessibility requirements that would prevent the installation of pan flashing.
5. Repairs or replacement of existing windows and doors.
6. When a method is provided by a registered design professional.

1309.0802 SECTION 802, WOOD ROOF FRAMING.

IRC Section R802.10.5 is amended to read as follows:

R802.10.5 Truss to wall connection. Trusses shall be connected to wall plates by the use of approved fasteners or connectors having a resistance to uplift of not less than the value listed on the truss design drawings.

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

Department of Labor and Industry Adopted Exempt Permanent Rules Relating to Occupational Safety and Health; Adopting Federal Standards by Reference

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 31, Number 44, pages 1512-1513, April 30, 2007 (31 SR 1512), are adopted as proposed.

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

Board on Aging

Notice of Request for Comments on Proposed Minnesota State Plan on Aging 2008 Amendment

The Minnesota Board on Aging requests comments on a proposed 2008 Amendment to its four-year State Plan on Aging. The Minnesota Board on Aging is required to submit an amendment to its four-year state plan (FFY2005-2008) to the U.S. Administration on Aging on August 1, 2007. The amendment needs to address the changes to the U.S. Older Americans Act that resulted from the 2006 Reauthorization. Of particular importance are the principles of Choices for Independence, which are now embedded within the Older Americans Act. Outlined below are the five proposed Focus Areas for the State Plan Amendment.

Focus Area 1: Easy Access to Information

Focus Area 2: Consumer Choice

Focus Area 3: Elder Rights and Protection

Focus Area 4: Healthy Aging

Focus Area 5: Communities for a Lifetime.

The thirty-day public comment period begins July 2, 2007 and ends at 4:30 p.m. on August 1, 2007. The full text of the State Plan Amendment is available by contacting:

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Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Notice of Hearing on Bond Issues for Qualified Mortgage Bonds Not Exceeding \$350,000,000

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (the "Agency") will hold a public hearing at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 24, 2007 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 principal amount not exceeding \$350,000,000. 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 \$340,000,000 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 \$350,000,000, are anticipated to be issued periodically to fund the Program during the calendar years 2007 and 2008, 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 (651-282-2577).

Timothy E. Marx, Commissioner
Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Official Notices

Department of Human Services

Request for Public Input on State Plan to Expand Community-Based System for Providing Mental Health Services for Adults Recovering from Serious Mental Illness and Children with Severe Emotional Disturbances

The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) is seeking public comment into the development and implementation of the State plan for 2008 to 2010 to expand the community-based system for providing mental health services for adults with serious mental illness and children with severe emotional disturbances.

As an ongoing process, the federal Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, through the Center for Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), awards Block Grants to States to establish or expand state community-based systems. DHS is required to submit a grant application that includes the State plan. The annual federal grant to Minnesota is currently about \$7 million. The funds are to be used to carry out the State plan contained in the application, to evaluate programs and services set in place under the plan, and to conduct planning, administration and educational activities related to the provision of services under the plan.

The key goals of the plan and the grant funding are:

- Access to a comprehensive system of care, including employment, housing, case management, rehabilitation, dental and health services, along with mental health services and supports;
- Participation of consumers/survivors and their families in planning and evaluation of state systems;
- Access for underserved populations, including homeless people and rural populations;
- Promoting recovery, resiliency for children, and community integration of people with psychiatric disabilities; and,
- Accountability through uniform reporting on access, quality, and outcomes of services.

The 2003 Final Report of the President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health entitled "Achieving the Promise: Transforming Mental Health Care in America" (<http://www.mentalhealthcommission.gov/reports/FinalReport/toc.html>) recommends six broad goals for a transformed public mental health system that would promote recovery from mental illness:

1. Americans understand that mental health is essential to overall health;
2. Mental health care is consumer and family-driven;
3. Disparities in mental health services are eliminated;
4. Early mental health screening, assessment and referral are common practice;
5. Excellent mental health care is delivered and research is accelerated; and,
6. Technology is used to access mental health care and information.

DHS is preparing the Minnesota plan/application for Federal Fiscal Years 2008 to 2010 for consideration by SAMHSA. The plan/grant application includes:

- an overview of Minnesota's mental health system,
- identified areas where particular attention is needed,
- significant achievements in previous year,
- new developments and issues,
- legislative initiatives and changes,
- description of regional and county programs,
- strengths and weaknesses of the service system,
- unmet service needs and critical gaps in the current system,
- state priorities and plans to address unmet needs,
- goals and measurable targets the state plans to achieve annually, and
- the proposed use of the federal block grant funds for the upcoming year.

An annual implementation report is completed later each year which:

- reports on the state's progress in meeting the goals and targets in the previous year's plan,
- provides mental health data and information on a common national data collection system, and
- reports how the state uses the grant funds.

Public input is sought into the development of the new three-year plan/grant application, and implementation of the existing plan. Inputs on development of the plan/grant application must be submitted no later than close of business on August 6, 2007 for consideration for inclusion in the 2008-2010 plan submission. Ongoing input is encouraged and will be considered on an ongoing basis.

The plan is updated on an annual basis. The current 2007 plan is available on the DHS Mental Health Division Website under "Fact sheets, reports, legislative reports: Federal Mental Health Block Grant" at: www.dhs.state.mn.us/MHReports.

The 2006 (the most recent) Implementation Report is also on the website. The 2008-2010 plan proposal will added to the website around October 15, 2007, and the 2007 Implementation Report will be added to the website within a month of completion around January 15, 2008.

Please provide written input to Richard Seurer by mail at Adult Mental Health Division, Minnesota Department of Human Services, PO Box 64981, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0981 or by **e-mail** at: Richard.Seurer@state.mn.us.

Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry Construction Codes and Licensing Division REQUEST FOR COMMENTS Possible Amendment to Rules Governing Adoption of the National Electrical Code, *Minnesota Rules*, chapter 1315

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry requests comments on its possible amendment of rules governing the adoption of the National Electrical Code (NEC). The Department is considering rule amendments that would adopt the 2008 edition of the NEC and any reasonable and necessary amendments to the 2008 NEC.

Persons Affected. Persons affected by the rule amendments may include electrical inspectors, municipal building inspection department personnel, electricians, electrical contractors, building contractors, engineers, building owners and managers and users of the facilities and structures.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 326.241, subdivision 2, item 6, authorizes the Board of Electricity to adopt reasonable rules to carry out its duties under sections 326.241 to 326.248 (the Minnesota Electrical Act). By Executive Order (Department of Administration Reorganization Order No. 193), Governor Pawlenty transferred the responsibilities of the Board of Electricity to the Department of Labor and Industry, effective May 16, 2005. Effective July 1, 2007, a new Board of Electricity will be created. This new Board must adopt the most current edition of the NEC and any amendments thereto. The Commissioner of Labor and Industry must coordinate the new Board's rulemaking with the rulemaking of other boards created pursuant to chapter 326B of the Minnesota Statutes. The Commissioner must also provide staff support to the new Board, including professional, legal, technical, and clerical staff necessary to perform rulemaking. See 2007 Minnesota Laws, chapter 140, article 5, section 19 (to be codified as Minnesota Statutes, section 326.2415). Accordingly, the Commissioner will ensure that all comments received in response to this Request for Comments are promptly brought to the attention of the new Board for consideration.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing until further notice is published in the *State Register* that the new Board of Electricity intends to adopt or to withdraw the rules. 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 rule amendments. Information on the 2008 NEC is available at www.nfpa.org

Agency Contact Person. Written comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rule amendments when the draft has been prepared, and requests for more information on these possible rules should be directed to: John Schultz at the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, 443 Lafayette Road N., St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, **telephone:** (651) 284-5821, **fax:** (651) 642-0804, and **e-mail:** john.schultz@state.mn.us. **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.

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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 new Board of Electricity 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: June 22, 2007

M. Scott Brener, Commissioner
Department of Labor and Industry

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Public Hearing on Adoption of Public Housing Agency Plan

The Metropolitan Council's Community Development Committee will conduct a public hearing to receive public comment on the proposed 2008 Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan.

The PHA Plan is a comprehensive guide to public housing agency policies, programs, operations and strategies for meeting local housing needs and goals. It is submitted within specific timeframes and according to the format required by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The public hearing will be held:

- 4:00 p.m., Monday, August 20, 2007, Community Development Committee
- Metropolitan Council
- Council Chambers
- 390 Robert St.
- St. Paul, MN 55101

The Housing Agency Plan is available for public review at the HRA administrative offices located at 390 Robert St., in St. Paul, and on the Metropolitan Council's website at www.metrocouncil.org. All interested persons are encouraged to attend the hearing and offer comments. People may register in advance to speak by calling Sue Putz at (651) 602-1584 or TTY at (651) 291-0904. Upon request, the Council will provide a reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities. In addition to speaking at the hearing, comments may be made in the following ways:

- Send comments to: Sue Putz, Metro HRA, 390 Robert St., St. Paul, MN 55101
- Fax comments to: Sue Putz at (651) 602-1313
- Send comments electronically to: data.center@metc.state.mn.us
- Record comments on the Council's Public Comment Line: (651) 602-1500
- TTY: (651) 291-0904
- Comments must be received by: 4:00 p.m., Monday, August 20, 2007.

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment to the *2030 Water Resources Management Policy Plan*

The Metropolitan Council will hold a public hearing on July 31, 2007, to receive comments on a proposed amendment to its *2030 Water Resources Management Policy Plan*. The proposed amendment will revise the long-term regional wastewater service area for the City of Oak Grove. The entire City is currently shown as an area that can have "potential sewered development by a wastewater treatment plant with rapid infiltration" (groundwater recharge). The proposed amendment designates the southeastern portion of the City as most feasible for future sewered development with wastewater service provided by the proposed East Bethel regional wastewater treatment plant and rapid infiltration system.

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The proposed amendment is available on the Council's **website** at: www.metrocouncil.org/planning/framework/overview.htm. Printed copies are available at no charge from the Council's Data Center, 390 N. Robert St., St. Paul. Call (651) 602-1140 or **e-mail**: data.center@metc.state.mn.us. Copies also are available at:

- Oak Grove City Hall, 19900 Nightingale St. N.W., Oak Grove, Minnesota
- Anoka County Library, North Central Branch, 17565 Central Ave. N.E., Ham Lake
- Anoka County Government Center, 2100 Third Ave., Anoka, Minnesota

The public hearing will be conducted at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 31, at Oak Grove City Hall (Council Chambers)**, 19900 Nightingale St. N.W., Oak Grove, Minnesota. Upon request, the Metropolitan Council will provide reasonable accommodations to persons with disabilities. Please call the Data Center, (651) 602-1140, with your request at least five working days before the hearing.

The procedure for the hearing will be as follows:

- Persons will be called to speak in the order in which they have registered. Individuals may register to speak in advance by calling (651) 602-1140.
- Individuals will have 3 minutes each and designated representatives of groups will have 5 minutes. Once all speakers have presented, speakers may request additional time to make further comments.
- The chair of the hearing shall have discretion in limiting or extending testimony by any person.

You may also submit comments for the official public hearing record in one of the following ways:

- **Mail:** Metropolitan Council Data Center, 390 N. Robert St., St. Paul, MN 55101-1805
- **Fax:** (651) 602-1464
- **Public Comment Line:** (651) 602-1500
- **E-mail:** data.center@metc.state.mn.us
- **TTY:** (651) 291-0904

Comments will be accepted until 5 p.m. Friday, August 10, 2007. At the close of the public comment period, the Council will prepare a hearing summary. To request a copy of the hearing summary, call the Data Center at (651) 602-1140 or (651) 291-0904 (TTY).

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Remediation Division Minnesota Department of Agriculture Pesticide & Fertilizer Management Division Notice of Proposed Update of the State Superfund Priority List (Superfund List) (also known as the Permanent List of Priorities or PLP) Among Releases or Threatened Releases of Hazardous Substances or Pollutants or Contaminants

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA), and Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) are publishing for public comment proposed additions to and deletions from the State Superfund List which lists releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants for which the MPCA or MDA may take removal or remedial actions under the Minnesota Environmental Response and Liability Act (MERLA), *Minnesota Statutes* §§ 115B01-115B.20.

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* § 115B.17 (2006) and *Minnesota Rules* 7044.0950 (2004), the MPCA and MDA are proposing the following changes to the Superfund List.

The MPCA is proposing to add the following site to the Superfund List (Hazard Ranking Score assigned pursuant to *Minnesota Rules* 7044.0350 follows the site): Fish Hatchery Dump Site, St. Paul, Ramsey County (22). This site has been assigned to Response Action Classes C and D (see *Minnesota Rules* 7044.0450). The four response action classes are defined as follows: Class A - Declared Emergency; Class B - Response Actions Completed and Operation and Maintenance/Long-Term Monitoring Ongoing; Class C - Response Actions Necessary or in Progress or First Year Operation and Maintenance at a Site; and Class D - Remedial Investigations and Feasibility Studies (RI/FS) Necessary or in Progress.

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The MPCA is proposing to delete the following site from the Superfund List: Kurt Manufacturing Site, Fridley, Anoka County. The MPCA is also proposing to delete portions of the following sites from the Superfund List: Whiteway Cleaners (aka Despatch Laundry), Minneapolis, Hennepin County; and Brooklyn Park Dump, Brooklyn Park, Hennepin County.

Response actions have been completed for on-site soils at the Whiteway Cleaners Site. Therefore, the MPCA is proposing to delete the Soils Operable Unit of the Whiteway Cleaners Site. Releases to ground water will continue to be addressed by the MPCA, thus the Ground Water Operable Unit of the site will remain on the Superfund List.

The MPCA is proposing to delete that portion of the Brooklyn Park Dump Site which is known as Area I. Area I consists of the portion of the site which is located within the City's Central Park. MPCA approved response actions have been completed on this portion of the site. Area II, which is the city owned maintenance garage facility, and Area III, which includes various privately owned parcel adjacent to the maintenance facility, will remain on the Superfund List.

The MPCA has determined that either all MERLA Response Actions have been completed at these sites or portions of sites; or that the sites do not pose a threat to public health or welfare or the environment. If necessary, appropriate institutional controls as determined by the MPCA will be in place prior to final deletion from the PLP.

The MDA is not proposing to add or delete a site from the Superfund List at this time.

The MPCA and MDA invite members of the public to submit written comments on the proposed addition to and deletions from the State Superfund List. All written comments with regard to these proposed changes to the Superfund List must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on August 3, 2007.

Any questions regarding sites in which MDA is the lead state agency should be directed to: Robert Anderson, Incident Response Unit, Pesticide & Fertilizer Management Division, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 625 Robert Street North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-2538.

Written comments regarding the proposed MPCA addition to or deletions from the Superfund List should be submitted to: Gary L. Krueger, Superfund & Emergency Response Section, Remediation Division, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, 520 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4194.

Any interested person may submit a petition to the Commissioner of the MPCA requesting that the MPCA Citizens' Board make the decision on whether to adopt these changes to the Superfund List that have been proposed by the MPCA and MDA. To be considered timely, the petition must be received by the MPCA contact person, Gary L. Krueger, by 4:30 p.m. on August 3, 2007.

The decision whether to adopt these proposed changes to the Superfund List will be made by the MPCA Citizens' Board if: (1) the MPCA Commissioner grants the petition requesting the matter to be presented to the MPCA Citizens' Board; or (2) a MPCA Citizens' Board member requests to hear the matter prior to the time the MPCA Commissioner makes a final decision on the proposed changes to the Superfund List.

All written comments received by the above deadline will be considered by the MPCA and MDA in establishing the updated State Superfund List.

Brad Moore, Commissioner
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Gene Hugoson, Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Agriculture

Office of the Secretary of State**REQUEST FOR COMMENTS on Possible Amendment to Rules Governing Voter Registration and Absentee Balloting: *Minnesota Rules*, Chapters 8200 and 8210**

Subject of Rules. The Office of the Secretary of State requests comments on its possible amendment to rules governing voter registration and absentee balloting. The Office is considering rule amendments that would modify the list of proofs of residence that may be used for Election Day voter registration, forms used on or related to Election Day, and the design of the voter registration application and absentee ballot applications and materials.

Persons Affected. The amendments to the rules would likely affect voters, election judges, local election administrators, groups engaging in voter registration drives, candidates and absentee voters.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 201.221 authorizes the Office to adopt rules for the implementation of that chapter, including approval of additional documents for use as identification for election day registration, forms related to voter registration and challenging voters, and the form of the voter registration application. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 203B.09 authorizes the Office to adopt rules for the certification of voter eligibility, and establishing the form, content and type size and style for the printing of blank applications for absentee ballots, absentee voter lists, return envelopes, certificates of eligibility to vote by absentee ballot, ballot envelopes, and directions for casting an absentee ballot.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing until further notice is published in the State Register that the Office intends to adopt or to withdraw the rules.

The Office does not contemplate appointing an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules.

Rules Drafts. The Office has not yet prepared a draft of the possible rules amendments and does not anticipate that a draft of the rules amendments will be available before the publication of the proposed rules.

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: Bert Black at the Office of the Secretary of State, 180 State Office Building, (651) 201-1326, **FAX** 651-215-0682, **E-mail:** Bert.Black@state.mn.us. **TTY** users may call the Department through the Minnesota Relay Service at: 1-800-627-3529.

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: July 2, 2007

Mark Ritchie, Secretary of State
Office of the Secretary of State

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Department of Health

Office of Rural Health and Primary Care

Request for Proposals for Community Collaborative Planning Grants to Cover the Uninsured and Underinsured

The Office of Rural Health and Primary Care, Minnesota Department of Health, is soliciting proposals for up to three grants to eligible community collaboratives through the Community Collaborative Planning Grant Program to Cover the Uninsured and Underinsured. The 2007 Minnesota Legislature authorized the Commissioner of Health to provide planning grants for up to three community partnerships that will develop a comprehensive proposal to provide affordable health care services to uninsured and underinsured individuals with chronic health conditions through an integrated community initiatives.

\$300,000 is available for grants for a grant period beginning approximately September 1, 2007.

To be considered for funding, proposals must be received by **4:00 p.m., Monday, July 30, 2007** at the Minnesota Department of Health, 85 East Seventh Place, Suite 220, St. Paul, MN 55101, attention Doug Benson. **Late proposals will not be considered.** A copy of the full Request for Proposals may be obtained at <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/cfh/orhpc/grant/home.htm> Click on "Community Collaborative Planning Grant Program."

For more information contact Doug Benson at (651) 201-3842, E-mail: doug.benson@health.state.mn.us

By mail: P.O. Box 64882, St. Paul, MN 55164-0882

By courier: 85 East 7th Place, Suite 220, St. Paul, MN 55101

Minnesota Historical Society

Historic Preservation Grant Application Deadlines

The Minnesota Historical Society announces a fall grants cycle for the State Capital Projects Grants-in-Aid Program to assist historic preservation projects. These funds were allocated to the Minnesota Historical Society in the 2006 Legislative Session.

The primary recipients are public entities as defined in state law, including county and local jurisdictions, or projects sponsored by an eligible governmental unit. To be funded, projects must serve a public purpose and the property must be in public ownership. The two eligible project categories are restoration/preservation and building systems/accessibility. Grant recipients must match state funds on at least an equal basis. Approximately \$300,000 will be awarded during the fall grants cycle.

Deadlines for the fall grants cycle are:

July 27, 2007:

August 31, 2007:

October 11, 2007:

Pre-application due

Application due

Grants Review Committee meets

To request grant information materials and application forms, or for more information, call (651) 259-3458, e-mail mandy.skypala@mnhs.org, or write to the Grants Office, Minnesota Historical Society, 345 Kellogg Blvd. West, Saint Paul, MN 55102-1906. Application materials can also be downloaded from the Minnesota Historical Society's **website** at: www.mnhs.org/capitalgrants

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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Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

Anoka Ramsey Community College

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS for 2007 Pavement Rehabilitation

Sealed Bids for: **2007 Pavement Rehabilitation**
Anoka Ramsey Community College
Coon Rapids, Minnesota

will be received by: **Vikki Green, Purchasing**
Room C140
Anoka Ramsey Community College
11200 Mississippi Blvd. NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Until **2:00 p.m., July 19, 2007**, at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud in **Room SC200 (Riverview Room) at Anoka Ramsey Community College**.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at **2:00 p.m., July 11, 2007, in Room SC200 (Riverview Room) at Anoka Ramsey Community College**. The Architect/Engineer and Owner Representatives will review the bidding procedures, Bidding Documents and other conditions with interested Bidders and answer questions.

Bid Forms, Contract Documents, Drawings and Specifications as prepared by the Project Architect/Engineer, **Inspecc, Inc.**, are on file at the offices of the:

- 1.) above named Project Architect/Engineer

State Contracts

- 2.) following Builders Exchanges: **Minneapolis, St. Paul, St. Cloud**
- 3.) Reed Construction Data
- 4.) McGraw Construction Plan Room
- 5.) National Association of Minority Contractors of Upper Midwest

Complete sets only of bid forms and Drawings and Specifications for use by Bidders in submitting a bid may be obtained at the following address without deposit:

Inspec, Inc.
5801 Duluth Street
Golden Valley, MN 55422
(763) 546-3434

Each bid which totals over \$15,000.00 must be accompanied by a bid bond or other security described here as a proposal guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract if its bid is accepted. This security may be either a certified check, payable to **Minnesota State Colleges and Universities**, in the sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the total base bid or a corporate surety bond for the same amount by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Minnesota.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) Office of the Chancellor Request for Proposals for Executive Search Consultants

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Office of the Chancellor is requesting proposals to assist in developing a list of qualified search consultants for fiscal year 2008. If it is necessary to conduct a search, a consultant will be selected from the list. For further information or to request a copy of the full Request for Proposal, please contact:

Sandy Smith
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
30 7th Street East, Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101
Telephone: (651) 296-3891
Fax: (651) 297-3145
E-mail: sandy.smith@so.mnscu.edu

Sealed proposals must be received at the above address no later than **Monday, August 6, 2007, at 4:00 p.m. CDT**. The responder shall submit two (2) copies of its RFP response. Proposals are to be sealed in mailing envelopes or packages with the responder's name and address clearly written on the outside. One copy of the proposal must be unbound and signed in blue or black ink by an authorized representative of the vendor. Proof of authority of the person signing must accompany the response. **Fax and e-mail responses will not be considered. Proposals received after this date and time will be returned to the responder unopened.**

This Request for Proposal (RFP) does not obligate the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) system, its Board of Trustees or the Office of the Chancellor to award a contract or complete the proposed project and each reserves the right to cancel this RFP if it is considered to be in its best interest.

**Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)
Metropolitan State University
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS for Janitorial Services**

Sealed Bids for: **Janitorial Services**
Metropolitan State University
St Paul, MN

will be received by: Roger Broz
Founders Hall 321
Metropolitan State University
St Paul, MN

Until **July 17, 2007, local time, 2:00 PM** at which time the bids will be received and evaluated.

Project Scope:

Contractor shall provide janitorial service, as herein described, at the Metro State University as required by area and task description. Custodial job procedures shall be provided to the Metro State Building Manager for approval prior to any implementation to en-sure building security and energy conservation measures.

A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at **11:30 AM, Tuesday, July 10th**, in Room **301, Founders Hall, Metropolitan State University**. The University Representatives will review the bidding procedures, Bidding Documents and other conditions with interested Bidders and answer questions.

Bid Forms, Contract Documents and Specifications as prepared by **Roger Broz, Metropolitan State University**, are on file at the office of the above named individual. Complete sets only of bid forms and Specifications for use by Bidders in submitting a bid may be obtained at the following address:

**Metropolitan State University
700 East 7th Street
St. Paul, MN 55106
(651) 793-1714**

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)**South Central College****Sealed Bids Sought for a Starcam Scanning System for Engineering Curriculum Application**

South Central College is seeking sealed bids for a Starcam scanning system to be used in an engineering curriculum application. A detailed listing of specifications can be obtained by contacting Mr. Doug Midthun, South Central College purchasing manager. Mr. Midthun can be reached at (507) 389-7287 or e-mail at: doug.midthun@southcentral.edu.

The bid opening has been scheduled for July 10, 2007 at 3:00 pm.

If you are interested in submitting a sealed bid for this piece of equipment, please contact Mr. Midthun for an approved MNSCU bid form.

Dated: June 26, 2007

Doug Midthun

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South Central College

Sealed Bids Sought for the Purchase of a NCC Lathe/Live Tooling System

South Central College is seeking sealed bids for the purchase of a cnc lathe/live tooling system. Prospective bidders should include language and pricing pertaining to a chip conveyor, intuitive programming software, lathe tool presetter, parts catcher, spindle orientation, high intensity lighting, livetooling and c-axis option, and hybrid turret on tool stations. A written copy of the bid specifications can be obtained from Mr. Doug Midthun, South Central College purchasing manager. Mr. Midthun can be reached at (507) 389-7287 or by e-mail at: doug.midthun@southcentral.edu.

The bid opening has been scheduled for July 10, 2007 at 2:00 pm.

If you are interested in submitting a sealed bid, please contact Mr. Midthun for an approved MNSCU bid form.

Dated: June 26, 2007

Doug Midthun

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

South Central College

Sealed Bids Sought for the Purchase of a 3D Printing/Prototyping System

South Central College is seeking sealed bids for the purchase of a 3D printing/prototyping system to be used in an engineering curriculum environment. Written bid specifications can be obtained by contacting Mr. Doug Midthun, South Central College purchasing manager. Mr. Midthun can be reached at (507) 389-7287 or by e-mail at: doug.midthun@southcentral.edu.

The bid opening has been scheduled for July 10, 2007 at 1:00 pm.

If you are interested in submitting a sealed bid, please contact Mr. Midthun for an approved MNSCU bid form.

Dated: June 26, 2007

Doug Midthun

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

St. Cloud Technical College

Request for Bid for Office System Addition and Refurbishment

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that St. Cloud Technical College will receive bids for addition to and remanufacture of an existing Steelcase office system. Specifications will be available on July 2, 2007, at: <http://www.sctc.edu/rfp>. Sealed bids marked "Steelcase Addition and Remanufacture" must be received by Christine Blommer at St. Cloud Technical College, Room 1-401E, 1540 Northway Drive, St. Cloud, MN 56301 by 2:00 P.M. on July 17, 2007. St. Cloud Technical College reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or portions thereof, or to waive an irregularities or informalities, in the proposal received.

Questions:

All questions and inquires related to this RFB must be in writing and directed to Jeremy Reisinger, door15 Office Manager, St. Cloud Technical College, 1540 Northway Drive, St. Cloud, MN 56303, **phone:** (320) 308-5573. Other department personnel are NOT allowed to discuss the RFB with anyone, including responders, before the bid submission deadline.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)**St. Cloud Technical College****Request for Bid for Assorted Office Furnishings**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that St. Cloud Technical College will receive bids for assorted office furnishings. Specifications will be available on July 2, 2007, at: <http://www.sctc.edu/rfp>. Sealed bids marked "Assorted Office Furnishings" must be received by Christine Blommer at St. Cloud Technical College, Room 1-401E, 1540 Northway Drive, St. Cloud, MN 56301 by 2:00 P.M. on July 17, 2007. St. Cloud Technical College reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or portions thereof, or to waive an irregularities or informalities, in the proposal received.

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Department of Commerce**Notice of Contract Availability for Developing an Energy Efficiency Screening Protocol for Use in the Conservation Improvement Program**

The Minnesota Department of Commerce is requesting proposals for the purpose of developing an energy efficiency screening protocol (including standardized statewide assumptions) that the State of Minnesota and its natural gas and electric utilities can use in the Conservation Improvement Program (CIP) to determine the energy and demand savings of prescriptive measures as well as their cost-effectiveness.

Work is proposed to start shortly after **August 1, 2007**.

A Request for Proposals will be available from this office through **July 20, 2007**.

The Request for Proposal can be obtained from:

Amy Bicek
Minnesota Department of Commerce
85 Seventh Place E, Suite 500
Saint Paul, MN 55101
Fax: (651) 297-7891
E-mail: Amy.Bicek@state.mn.us

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received at the address above no later than 2:30pm CDT on **July 25, 2007**.

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.

Dated: June 25, 2007

State Contracts

Department of Health

Notice of Availability of Contract for the Design and Presentation of Ten General 'Tabletop' Emergency Preparedness Exercises for Use with Water Supply Systems

Proposals are being sought for the design and presentation of ten general 'tabletop' emergency preparedness exercises that can be tailored to an interested water supply system. The ten exercises will be designed to simulate damage to a community public water system by use of explosives, or contamination of the system by chemical, biological, or radiological agents. These ten exercises must test and evaluate emergency response systems designed to prepare for, respond to, and recover from the effects of said damage or contamination. These ten exercises must be presented to as many of the target audiences around Minnesota as time and funding allow. The target audiences include personnel of public water systems, local public health agencies, local first responders, local emergency managers, and MDH district offices. The exercises are also expected to establish or build upon working relationships between these target audiences. However, participation by the target audiences is voluntary.

Work is proposed to start after August 1, 2007.

A Request for Proposals will be available by e-mail from this office through Monday July 16, 2007. **A written request (by email) is required to receive the Request for Proposal.** After Monday July 16, 2007 the Request for Proposal must be picked up in person. MDH is not responsible for misdirected e-mail.

Minnesota Historical Society

Notice of Request for Proposals for Desktop Computer Leasing

The Minnesota Historical Society is seeking proposals from qualified vendors to provide leasing of workstations to replace the Society's existing computers on a 3-year rotation at the rate of approximately 125 computers per year.

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

Proposals must be received no later than 2:00 p.m., Local Time, on Tuesday, July 24, 2007. A public bid opening will be conducted at that time. Late proposals will not be accepted.

Dated: July 2, 2007

Minnesota State Lottery

Request for Proposals for Sponsorship Agreements

Description of Opportunity

The Minnesota State Lottery develops sponsorship agreements throughout the year with organizations, events, and sports teams to create excitement for lottery players, to interest new players and increase the visibility of lottery games. The Lottery encourages and continually seeks new sponsorship agreements to help achieve current Lottery marketing goals.

Proposal Content

A sponsorship proposal presented to the Lottery should meet the following three criteria:

- 1. Maximize Lottery Visibility** – the event, sports or tie-in proposal should draw a large number of desired participants (typically 50,000 or more) whose demographics match the Lottery player profile. The Lottery is interested in effectively delivering its message of fun and entertainment to Minnesota adults whose demographics skew primarily towards those aged 25-64, with a household income of \$35,000-\$75,000, and having an educational background of some college or higher. The Lottery does not market to those under the age of 18, and family events with high levels of children present are generally not accepted. Attendance, on-site signage visibility and paid media exposure will be critical components that will be evaluated.

- 2. Enhance Lottery Image** – the event, sports or tie-in proposal should inherently project the attitude that the Lottery is a

fun and socially acceptable part of the community. The Lottery's presence should fit well within the lineup of other sponsors. The Lottery is interested in creating opportunities whereby the sponsorship can translate into sales revenue, either via on-site sales from a Lottery booth, from sales-generating promotions with Lottery retailers or from joint programs with the sponsor's media partners.

3. Provide Promotional Extensions – the event, sports or tie-in proposal should offer exciting, value-added ways to interact with our players and have opportunities to motivate attendees, listeners and viewers to participate in and purchase Lottery games. The proposal must include proper staffing availability or other considerations to help the Lottery implement any appropriate promotional extension ideas.

Proposals should address all pertinent elements of the sponsorship and how the Lottery criteria as stated above and on the Evaluation Form are to be met. To view or print copies of the Request for Proposal go to: <http://www.mnlottery.com/vendorops.html>

This Solicitation does not obligate the state to award a contract or pursue a proposed sponsorship opportunity, and the state reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Questions

Questions concerning this Solicitation should be directed to:

John Mellein, Marketing Director
Minnesota State Lottery
2645 Long Lake Road
Roseville, MN 55113
Telephone: (651) 635-8230
Toll-free: (888) 568-8379 ext. 230
Fax: (651) 297-7496
TTY: (651) 635-8268
E-mail: johnm@mnlottery.com

Other personnel are not authorized to answer questions regarding this Solicitation.

Response Delivery

All responses must be in writing and delivered to the contact noted above. Proposals will be accepted on an ongoing basis.

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

State Contracts

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.

Minnesota Zoological Board

Request for Media Purchasing Agent Proposals

NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Zoo will receive proposals for a "Media Purchasing Agent for 2007-2011." Specifications are available on the **website**: <http://www.mnzoo.org/global/jobs.asp>. Copies of the specifications can also be obtained from Bill Von Bank via e-mail at: bill.vonbank@state.mn.us.

Sealed proposals must be received by the Minnesota Zoo, 13000 Zoo Boulevard, Apple Valley, MN 55124 by 10 a.m. on July 24, 2007. Bid openings will be in the Minnesota Zoo 3rd floor conference room at 11 a.m. on July 24, 2007.

The Minnesota Zoo reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or portions thereof, or to waive any irregularities or informalities, in proposals received.

Non-State Bids, Contracts & Grants

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

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Invitation for Bids (IFB) for Metro SMB FBR Activated Carbon

Reference Number 07P077

The Metropolitan Council is requesting bids for furnishing and delivery of 360,000 lbs. of SMB FBR Activated Carbon over a period of three years.

Issue Invitation for Bids

June 25, 2007

Bids Due

July 18, 2007, at 2:00 PM local time

Award Contract

September 2007

Non-State Bids, Contracts & Grants

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 request to:

Miriam Lopez-Rieth
Administrative Assistant, Contracts and Procurement Unit
Metropolitan Council
390 North Robert Street
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 (RFP) for Life Insurance Contract 07P049

The Metropolitan Council is requesting proposals for Life insurance for all employees and certain retired employees. The term of the contract will be up to five years. A tentative schedule for the project is as follows:

<i>Issue Request for Proposals</i>	June 25, 2007
<i>Receive Proposals</i>	July 27, 2007
<i>Contract negotiated, executed, NTP</i>	October 15, 2007

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

Miriam Lopez-Rieth, Contracts and Procurement Unit
Metropolitan Council
390 North Robert Street
St. Paul, MN 55101
Phone: (651) 602-1095
Fax: (651) 602-1183
E-mail: Miriam.Lopez-Rieth@metc.state.mn.us

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

University of Minnesota Subscribe to Bid Information Service (BIS)

The University of Minnesota offers 24 hour/day, 7day/week access to all Request for Bids/Proposals through its web-based Bid Information Service (BIS). Subscriptions to BIS are free. Visit our website at bidinfo.umn.edu or call the BIS Coordinator at (612) 625-5534.

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

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