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Governor Tim Pawlenty

Greg Hubinger, Director Legislative Coordinating Commission

Michele Timmons Revisor of Statutes

Chairs of the Policy and Funding Committees and Divisions with Jurisdiction over the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development [A complete list at the end of this letter]

Subject: Annual Report on Obsolete, Unnecessary, or Duplicative Rules, as Required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 14.05, Subdivision 5.

Minnesota Statutes, Section 14.05, Subdivision 5, states:

"By December 1 of each year, an agency must submit to the governor, the Legislative Coordinating Commission, the policy and funding committees and division with jurisdiction over the agency, and the revisor of statutes, a list of any rules or portions of rules that are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules. The list must also include an explanation of why the rule or portion of the rule is obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules. By December 1, the agency must either report a timetable for repeal of the rule or portion of the rule, or must develop a bill for submission to the appropriate policy committee to repeal the obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative rule. Such a bill must include proposed authorization to use the expedited procedures of section 14.389 to repeal or amend the obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative rule. A report submitted under this subdivision must be signed by the person in the agency who is responsible for identifying and initiating repeal of obsolete rules. The report also must identify the status of any rules identified in the prior year's report as obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative. If none of the agency's rules are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative, an agency's December 1 report must state that conclusion."

The Department of Employment and Economic Development has reviewed its rules in accordance with this statute and does not propose any rules for repeal at this time.

If you have any questions regarding this report or our current rule amendment efforts, please contact me at (651) 259-7261 or at katrina.gulstad@state.mn.us or consult our Rule Docket at: http://www.deed.state.mn.us/agency/rule.htm.

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Sincerely,

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The Honorable Tom Rukavina Chair, Higher Education and Workforce Development

The Honorable David Tomassoni Chair, Economic Development Budget Division

The Honorable James Metzen, President of the Senate

Patrick E. Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate

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