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FROM: Gary Goldsmith, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Obsolete Rules Report Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 14.05, subdivision 5.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 14.05, subdivision 5, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board hereby informs you that:

The Board has determined that Minnesota Rules 4501.0500, subpart 2(A) is unnecessary because the Board has concluded that the rule imposes a filing requirement more stringent than that imposed by statute.

The Board has further determined that Minnesota Rules 4503.0200, subpart 6, which requires depositories for political committees, is a redundant and overly broad restatement of the requirements found in Minnesota Statutes, sections 10A.14 and 10A.15.

Additionally, the third sentence of Minnesota Rules 4503.0500, subpart 8, which requires the use of an automobile to be classified as either an expenditure to be reimbursed or an in-kind contribution, is obsolete because of the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 10A.01, subdivision 9.

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The Board has also determined that Minnesota Rules 4503.1400, subpart 8, contains filing deadlines for the submission of an affidavit of contributions at a special election that have been rendered obsolete by the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 10A.323.

Further, Minnesota Rules 4503.1450, subpart 3, which regulates notification given to candidates of the general account portion of the public subsidy payment, has been rendered obsolete because of changes in Minnesota Statutes 10A.321.

The Board has determined that Minnesota Rules 4503.1700, which required reporting of certain contributions to the Board within 48 hours is obsolete because of an amendment to the filing period and method found in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.20, subdivision 5.

Also, Minnesota Rules 4512.0100, subparts 2 and 4, which define the terms "individual services" and "field of specialty" as they relate to plaques given as gifts, are obsolete because of amendments to Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.071, subdivision 3 (a) (4).

These rules were identified in last year's Obsolete Rules Report. The Board included provisions repealing these rules in its 2012 legislation but the legislature did not act on these proposals. The Board plans to include provisions repealing these rules in its 2013 legislation. Because the Board's proposed legislation includes the repeal of these rule provisions, the Board **does not** request that any of the rules identified in this report be included in the Revisor of Statutes bill on obsolete rules.