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The Honorable Jesse Ventura Governor

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Michele Timmons Revisor of Statutes

The Honorable Ellen Anderson, Chair State Senator Jobs, Housing and Community Development Committee

The Honorable Richard Cohen, Chair State Senator State Government, Economic Development, and the Judiciary Budget Division

The Honorable Arlon Lindner, Chair State Representative Jobs and Economic Development and Tourism Division, Policy Committee

The Honorable Dan McElroy, Chair State Representative Jobs and Economic Development Finance Committee

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 The list must also include an explanation of why the rule or portion of the rule is obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules.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

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person in the agency who is responsible for identifying and initiating repeal of obsolete rules. The report must also identify the status of any rules identified in the prior year's report as obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative. If none of an agency's rules are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative, an agency's December 1 report must state that conclusion."

At this time, we can identify no new Department of Labor and Industry rules that are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative and that should be repealed.

Sincerely,

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