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 The list must also include an explanation of why the rule or portion of the rule is obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules.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

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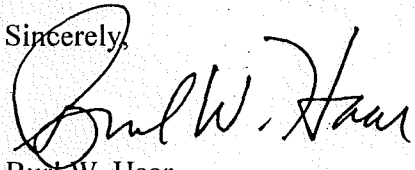
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include proposed authorization to use the expedited procedures of section 14.389 to repeal or amend the obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative rule. A report submitted under this subdivision must be signed by the person in the agency who is responsible 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 an agency's rules are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative, an agency's December 1 report must state that conclusion.

Portions of the Public Utilities Commission's telephone assistance plan rules, Chapter 7817, and its rules governing Commission conduct and *ex parte* communications, Chapter 7845, have been superseded by statute. The Commission plans to begin the process of revising these rules in the first quarter of 2005.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Carol Casebolt at the Public Utilities Commission, 121 Seventh Place East, Suite 350, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-2147, (651) 296-6029.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Burl W. Haar". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Burl W. Haar
Executive Secretary