

February 3, 2026

**VIA E-FILING ONLY**

Kayla Walsh  
520 Lafayette Rd N  
Saint Paul, MN 55155  
[kayla.walsh@state.mn.us](mailto:kayla.walsh@state.mn.us)

**Re: *In the Matter of Proposed Expedited Rules Related to  
Environmental Review and Energy Infrastructure*  
CAH 28-9008-41172; Revisor R-4944**

Dear Kayla Walsh:

Enclosed herewith and served upon you please find the **AMENDED ORDER ON REVIEW OF RULES UNDER MINN. STAT § 14.389. AND MINN. R. 1400.2410**. This amended order corrects a clerical error in the case caption. No other substantive changes have been made. With the approval of these expedited rules, the Court of Administrative Hearings has closed this file and is returning the rule record to the Environmental Quality Board so that the Board can maintain the official rulemaking record in this matter as required by Minn. Stat. § 14.365.

Please ensure that the Board's signed order adopting the rules is filed with our Court. The Court of Administrative Hearings will request the finalized rules from the Revisor's office following receipt of that order. The Court of Administrative Hearings will then file the adopted rules with the Secretary of State, who will forward one copy to the Revisor of Statutes and one copy to the Board. **Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 14.389, subd. 3 and Minn. R. 1400.2410, subp. 5, the Environmental Quality Board is responsible for filing a copy of the expedited rules with the Governor.**

The Environmental Quality Board's next step is to arrange for publication of the Notice of Adoption in the State Register. The Board should request copies of the Notice of Adoption from the Revisor's Court. One copy should be placed in the official rulemaking record. Two copies of the Notice of Adoption should be sent to the State Register for publication. Please note that if the final expedited rule is different from the rule originally published, an agency must publish a copy of the changes in the State Register. An expedited rule becomes effective upon publication of the Notice of Adoption in the State Register in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 14.389, subd. 3.

Kayla Walsh  
February 3, 2026  
Page 2

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact William Moore at (651) 361-7893, [william.t.moore@state.mn.us](mailto:william.t.moore@state.mn.us) or via facsimile at (651) 539-0310.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cara Hunter".

CARA HUNTER

Legal Assistant

Enclosure

cc: Legislative Coordinating Commission  
Office of the Revisor of Statutes

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COURT OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS  
FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

In the Matter of Proposed Expedited  
Rules related to Environmental Review  
and Energy Infrastructure

**AMENDED ORDER ON REVIEW  
OF RULES UNDER  
MINN. STAT. § 14.389  
AND MINN. R. 1400.2410**

This amended order corrects a clerical error in the case caption above. No other substantive changes have been made.

On January 28, 2026, the Environmental Quality Board (Board) filed documents with the Court of Administrative Hearings seeking review and approval of the above-entitled rules under Minn. Stat. § 14.389 (2024) and Minn. R. 1400.2410 (2025).

Based upon a review of the written submissions by the Board, and the contents of the rulemaking record, the Administrative Law Judge hereby makes the following:

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. The proposed rules were adopted in compliance with the procedural requirements of Minn. Stat. § 14.389 and Minn. R. 1400.2410.
2. The Board has the statutory authority to adopt these proposed rules using the expedited rulemaking process pursuant to Minn. Laws 2024, Chapter 126, Article 9, Sec. 19.
3. The proposed rules meet the standards of Minn. R. 1400.2100, items A and C to H.

**ORDER**

The proposed rules are **APPROVED**.

Dated: February 3, 2026

  
JOSEPH C. MEYER  
Administrative Law Judge