## EQB STAFF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROGRAM RULES REGARDING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS MANDATORY EAW THRESHOLD

Amend Minnesota Rules, Part 4410.4300, as follows:

Subpart 15. **Air pollution.** <u>Items A and B designate the RGU for the type of project listed:</u>

- A. For construction of a stationary source facility that generates 250 tons or more per year or modification of a stationary source facility that increases generation by 250 tons or more per year of any single air pollutant, other than those air pollutants described in item B, after installation of air pollution control equipment, the PCA shall be the RGU;
- B. For construction of a stationary source facility that generates a combined 100,000 tons or more per year or modification of a stationary source facility that increases generation by a combined 100,000 tons or more per year of greenhouse gas emissions, after installation of air pollution control equipment, expressed as carbon dioxide equivalents, the PCA shall be the RGU. For purposes of this subpart, greenhouse gases include carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), perfluorocarbons (PFCs) and sulfur hexafluoride and their carbon dioxide equivalents shall be computed according to guidance in EPA's "Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks," which is updated annually under existing commitment under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)\*

<sup>\*</sup> A more formal reference to this EPA document may be needed for use in the rule.