

CHAPTER 244—S.F.No. 2723

An act relating to the environment; requiring a report by the Pollution Control Agency on new public wastewater treatment facilities that do not meet water quality discharge standards; requiring proposals for new wastewater treatment facilities to include information on operating and maintenance costs during the first five years of operation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 115.447; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 115.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 115.447, is amended to read:

115.447 TRACKING REPORT FOR NEW WASTEWATER FACILITIES.

Subdivision 1. Annual report required. The Pollution Control Agency shall annually prepare a report tracking the location and capacity of each new wastewater treatment system requiring a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System or State Disposal System permit built after May 1, 2000. The report shall also include the name of the owner, primary engineering firm that designed the facilities, the primary contractor that constructed the facilities, and any management company, other than the owner, that manages the facilities.

The annual report must also provide the total number of new systems built after that date. The commissioner shall submit the report to ~~the chairs~~ of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over environmental policy and finance, and publish the report on the agency's Web site, by February 1 of each year.

Subd. 2. New facilities not meeting permit requirements. (a) The report required under subdivision 1 shall include the information required in paragraphs (b) and (c) for the first five years of operation of a new facility.

(b) For National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permitted facilities, provide a list of reported effluent violations that occurred during each calendar year. This list should include the effluent parameter violated; the violation date; and, if available, any known information regarding the causes of the reported limit violations.

(c) For State Disposal System permitted facilities, provide a summary of conditions at the facilities which pose an imminent threat to public health and safety as defined in rules of the Pollution Control Agency, or a list of reported limit violations that occurred during each calendar year. This list should include the parameter violated; violation date; and, if available, any known information regarding the causes of the reported public health risk or limit violations.

Sec. 2. [115.449] PUBLIC WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS.

A proposal for design services for a public wastewater treatment facility requiring a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System or State Disposal System permit shall include a description of the treatment alternatives the engineer will evaluate and provide a range of all annual operation and maintenance costs of operating the facility for the first five years of operation.

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Signed by the governor May 31, 2006, 10:44 p.m.