

# Environmental Permitting

## MPCA's Semiannual Permitting Efficiency Report



Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

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## Legislative Charge

*Minn. Stat. § 116.03, subd. 2b.*

## Report to Legislature

*The commissioner shall prepare semiannual permitting efficiency reports that include statistics on meeting the goal in paragraph (a). The reports are due February 1 and August 1 each year. For permit applications that have not met the goal, the report must state the reasons for not meeting the goal, steps that will be taken to complete action on the application, and the expected timeline. In stating the reasons for not meeting the goal, the commissioner shall separately identify delays caused by the responsiveness of the proposer, lack of staff, scientific or technical disagreements, or the level of public engagement. The report must specify the number of days from initial submission of the application to the day of determination that the application is complete. The report for August 1 each year must aggregate the data for the year and assess whether program or system changes are necessary to achieve the goal. The report must be posted on the department's Web site and submitted to the governor and the chairs and ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate committees having jurisdiction over natural resources policy and finance.*

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## Executive Summary

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The mission of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is to work with Minnesotans to protect, conserve, and improve our environment and enhance our quality of life. One of our most important jobs is to issue timely air, water, and land permits to Minnesota businesses, governmental units, and individuals. The requirements of these environmental permits are mandated by federal and/or state regulations and are subject to a rigorous public participation process.

The MPCA typically receives between 3,000 and 5,000 permit applications each year. To support jobs and economic development in the state and enhance overall environmental protection, the MPCA's policy is to work on applications for construction projects first. These "priority" projects typically require a new permit or significant modification of an existing permit. They are often the most technically complex and potentially controversial projects. The remaining projects are generally routine permit re-issuances that do not require substantive changes or involve construction and, therefore, are typically less time-sensitive to permittees. Permittees covered under these existing permits are allowed to continue to operate until such time as MPCA staff can be assigned to work on them.

Since enactment of the Permit Efficiency Law of 2011, the MPCA submitted two semi-annual reports (dated August 1, 2011, and February 1, 2012). The current report is prepared for Fiscal Year 2012, and contains information for applications submitted between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012. The following table summarizes the MPCA's permitting activities during fiscal year 2012 reporting period:

Total Applications Received:	2843 (1858 priority; 985 non-priority)
Applications Returned as Incomplete:	5% (153)
Applications Withdrawn by Applicant:	1% (42)
Total Applications Available To Process:	2648 (1820 priority; 828 non-priority)
Total Permits Issued:	84% (2229 of 2648)
Priority (Construction) Permits Issued within 150 days:	94% (1703 of 1820)
Total Permits Issued within 150 days:	82% (2169 of 2648)
Permits that took longer than 150 days to issue*:	2% (60 of 2648)
Permit Applications (not issued) older than 150 days*:	5% (129 of 2648)

\*A detailed list of the 189 projects that have exceeded the 150-day goal can be found in Appendix A of this report.

While the MPCA is pleased with the overall results, especially the 94 percent issuance rate on priority (construction) permits, there is certainly more to be done. Full implementation will take time and continued commitment by all parties involved. Working with our partners, including, permittees, consultants, citizens and other local, state and federal agencies, we expect to improve on the timeliness of our permits while ensuring the continued protection of human health and the environment.

## Background

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This report is the result of concerns expressed about the overall length and uncertainty associated with regulatory processes, including both environmental review and permitting. In 2010, the Legislature directed the Office of the Legislative Auditor (OLA) to review environmental review and permitting programs of the Environmental Quality Board, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, the Department of Natural Resources and local units of government.\* A range of businesses and elected officials have suggested that the structure and process of permitting at that time was negatively impacting business climate and growth in Minnesota. Permitting and environmental review process reform was identified by those raising concerns as an important step for Minnesota state government to facilitate job creation in the state.

To address these concerns, Governor Dayton issued Executive Order 11-4 (EO11-04) on January 24, 2011. The executive order requires MPCA and DNR to adopt a 150-day goal for reaching a permit decision after receiving a complete permit application. This same goal is reiterated in Session Laws 2011, Chapter 4, which was codified in MN Statute 116.03. This law is referred to as the Permitting Efficiency Law, and requires, among other things, the MPCA to determine, within 30 business days of receipt of a permit application, whether the application is substantially complete, and to inform the applicant of the deficiencies if the application is incomplete. The Permitting Efficiency Law also requires the MPCA and the DNR to submit semiannual reports to the Governor and the Legislature on August 1st and February 1st of each year.

The report must:

- Include statistics on meeting the 150-day permit decision goal.
- Address permits that have not met the goal, and outline:
  - Reasons for not meeting the goal.
  - Steps to be taken to complete permit action.
  - An expected timeline.
  - The number of days from initial submission to determination of application completeness.
- Aggregate data for the fiscal year (August 1 report).
- Assess whether program or system changes are needed to achieve the goal (August 1 report).

\*The OLA report, including findings and recommendations can be found at:  
<http://www.auditor.leg.state.mn.us/ped/2011/envir.htm>.

## MPCA's Environmental Permitting Programs

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The MPCA manages more than 15,000 air, water, and land permits. These permits are typically issued for a period of five years and cover a wide range of facilities and activities. Permits are required for the construction and operation of facilities that discharge or emit (or have the potential to discharge or emit) specifically defined pollutants and for certain activities.

To manage this volume of permitting work successfully, the MPCA strives to balance our mission to protect, conserve, and improve the environment with our commitment to support jobs and economic development in the state. We strike this balance with a policy of working on applications for construction projects first. These priority projects typically require a new permit or the significant modification of an existing permit. As such, these are often the most technically complex and controversial projects. The remaining projects are generally routine permit re-issuances that do not require substantive changes or involve construction and, therefore, are typically less time-sensitive to permittees. Permittees covered under these existing permits are allowed to continue to operate until such time as MPCA staff can be assigned to work on them.

With few exceptions, the MPCA almost exclusively implements federal regulatory programs on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as its delegated authority. Without this delegation, many of the current permittees we serve and new applicants would be required to seek necessary permits directly from the EPA, Region 5, based in Chicago. While many of the requirements of these environmental permits are mandated by federal regulations, state laws and the MPCA's permitting processes often allow for increased flexibility and customer assistance, which results in greater overall efficiency than what would otherwise be achieved by working directly with the EPA.

However, regardless of whether the permit is authorized under federal or state laws, most permits must undergo a rigorous public participation process to ensure that interested parties (from citizens to other governmental units) have an opportunity to provide input. This process requires a public notice of the draft permit – usually 30 days – and may include public meetings or hearings. The MPCA must review, consider and respond to all written comments received and revise draft permits, where appropriate. While this public participation process often provides valuable public insight to the final permit, it may add time to the permit review and issuance process.

To reduce time when possible, the MPCA uses a variety of permits to provide flexibility as well as to meet the needs of the regulated community. The use of general and registration permits allows the agency to cover similar facilities under a standardized permit. For most general permits, there is only one state-wide public notice period and, therefore, applicants that qualify do not need a public notice for their specific facility. Facilities that qualify for a general permit typically receive their permit much faster than those needing an individual (facility-specific) permit.

Types of permits that the MPCA issues include:

- **Air permits** – Individual, general, and registration permits for facilities that emit defined air pollutants such as particulate matter, sulfur and nitrogen compounds, and carbon monoxide. Permitted facilities include power plants, refineries, manufacturing plants and dry cleaners.
- **Water permits** – Individual and general permits for facilities that discharge pollutants such as treated sewage, sediment, pathogens, and phosphorus to surface and ground waters of the state. Permitted facilities include animal feedlots, municipal and industrial wastewater treatment facilities, stormwater conveyance systems from construction projects, industrial sites and municipalities, and extensions of sewer systems.

- **Land permits** – Individual and general permits for facility operation to prevent or minimize the release of pollutants such as landfill leachate, oil, gas, and other hazardous materials. Permitted facilities include municipal and industrial waste transfer stations and landfills, facilities that have below and above-ground storage tanks, and hazardous waste storage and treatment facilities.

## Improvement Efforts

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Since 2003, the MPCA has been progressively focused on systematically reviewing, improving, and designing more efficient and effective processes. The MPCA has integrated process improvement tools such as Six Sigma and Lean into our culture, resulting in agency-wide improvements. The MPCA's permitting programs, in particular, have gone through significant evaluation and improvement. Those efforts continue as part of our day-to-day operations.

In response to the Permit Efficiency Law, the MPCA created a new permit tracking database that consolidated data from four other databases that serve the agency's 13 permitting programs, and have standardized numerous permit application forms and permit process steps to meet the law's requirements and goals. These efforts include:

- Continue to update our application forms and guidance documents to provide clarity and promote quality and timely permit applications.
- Continue to meet with our customers and partners to understand needs, share ideas, manage expectations and improve services.
- Continue to explore the use of electronic tools and services to provide increased efficiency.
- Continue to assess how to best provide information required by the Permitting Efficiency Law regarding reporting the number of days from initial submission to the determination that an application is complete for projects that exceed the 150-day goal. While the MPCA is resolving nearly every application within 30 days, tracking re-submitted applications versus new modifications is challenging and will require additional analysis and changes to the process.
- Continue to train MPCA staff in the use of the new permitting database to ensure timely, consistent and accurate data.
- Hold a day-long permit writers summit during the fall of 2012 to provide focused training to permitting staff, encourage communication and share creative solutions across the 13 permitting programs.
- The MPCA has also committed to redesigning our legacy permitting databases. While this will be an extensive effort, likely requiring a number of years, we expect significant benefits in our ability to efficiently process and provide data on permits.

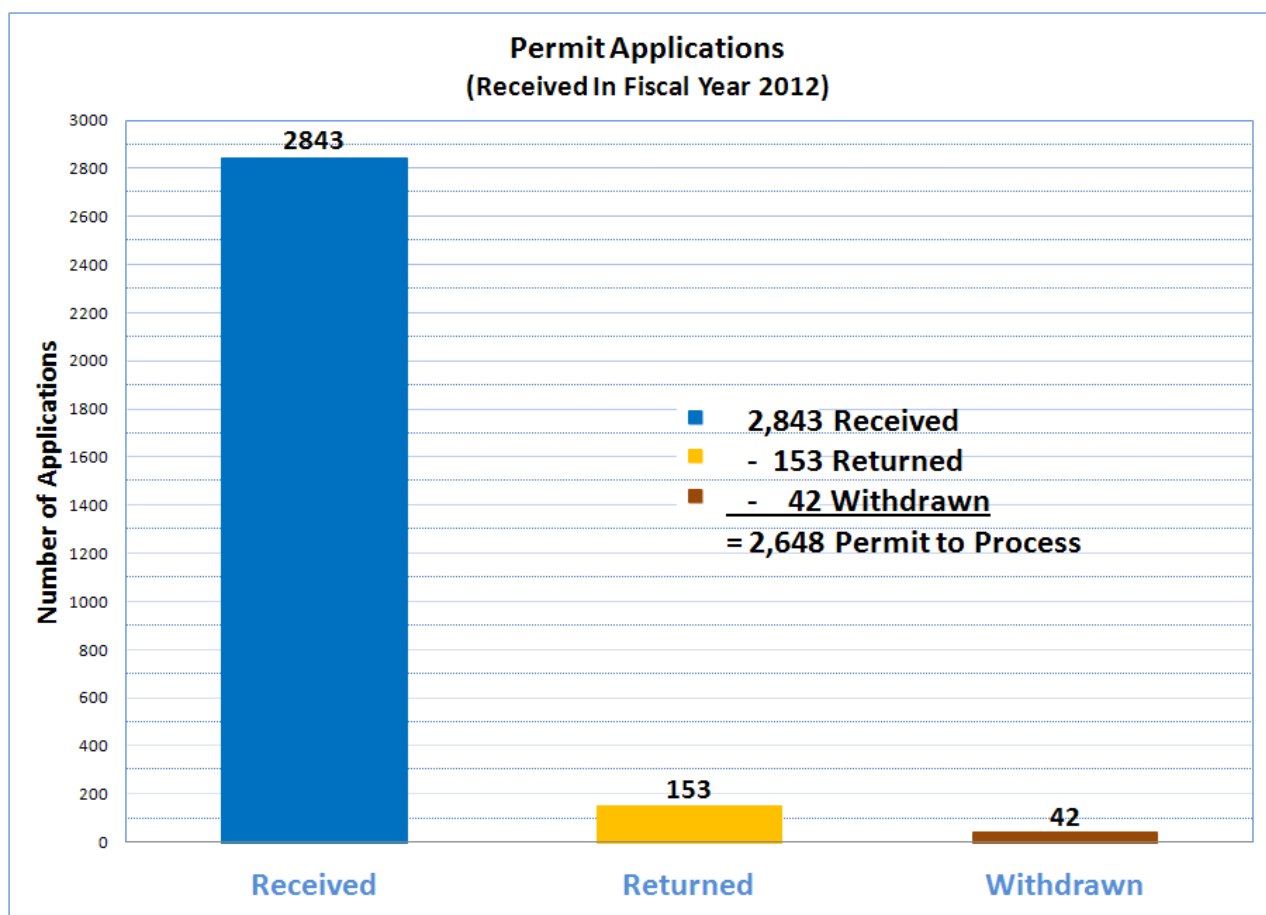
The MPCA will continue to make improvements in our permitting process and adaptation to the permit tracking database as new requirements or goals are set in the Permit Efficiency Law.

## Data and Graphs

This section highlights the major findings for the Fiscal Year 2012 reporting period:

### Permit Applications

During this reporting period, the MPCA received 2,843 permit applications. Of these, 42 were withdrawn at the applicant's requests, and 153 were returned to the applicant due to administrative incompleteness or technical deficiencies. This resulted in a pool of 2,648 permit applications to process.



Applications Received (Between July , 2011 through June 30, 2012)			
	Priority	Non-Priority	Combined
Total (All Media)	1858	985	<b>2843</b>
Water	1791	678	2469
Air	61	236	297
Land	6	71	77

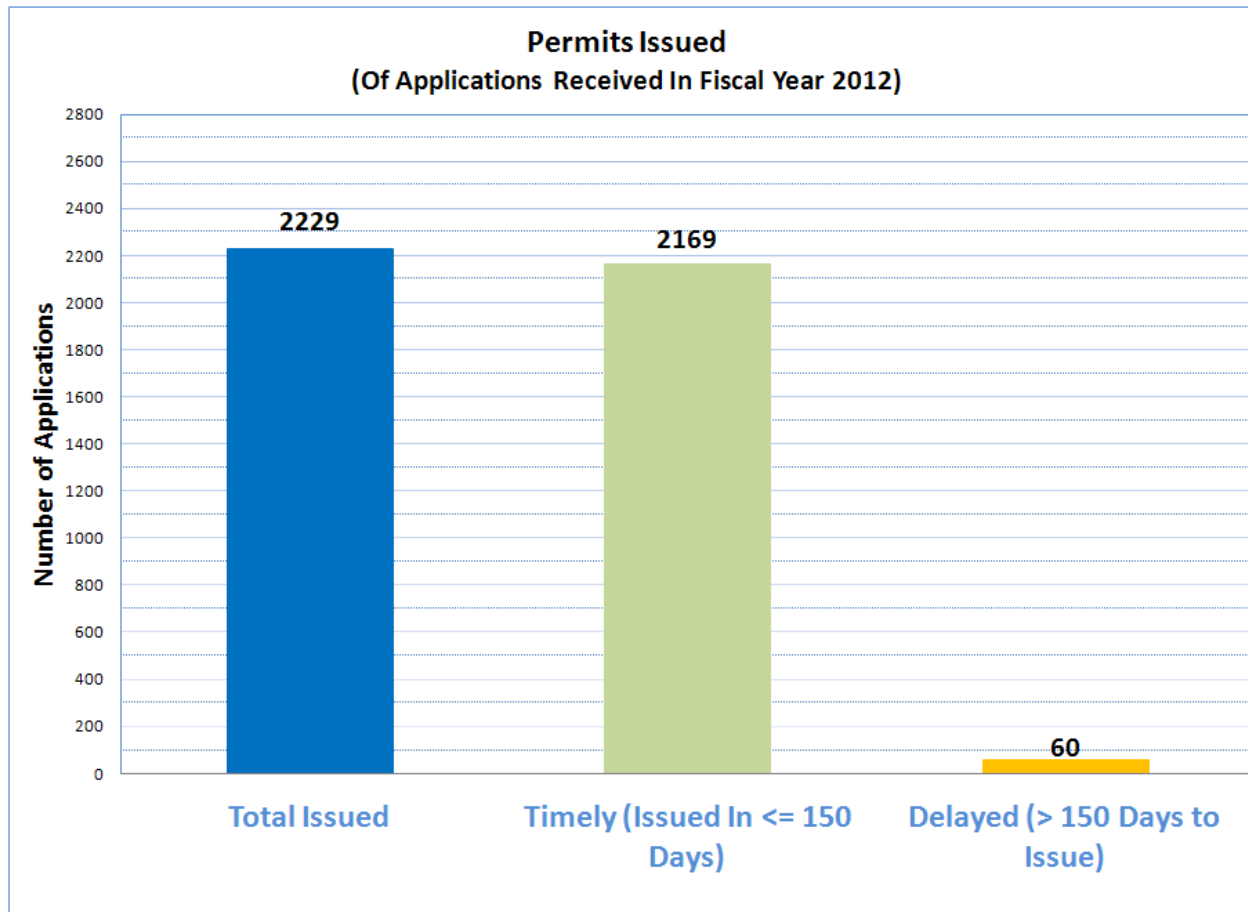
Note: Priority permits are construction-focused, and typically represent new or expanded projects. Non-priority permits do not involve construction and typically include routine reissuances.





### **Permits Issued**

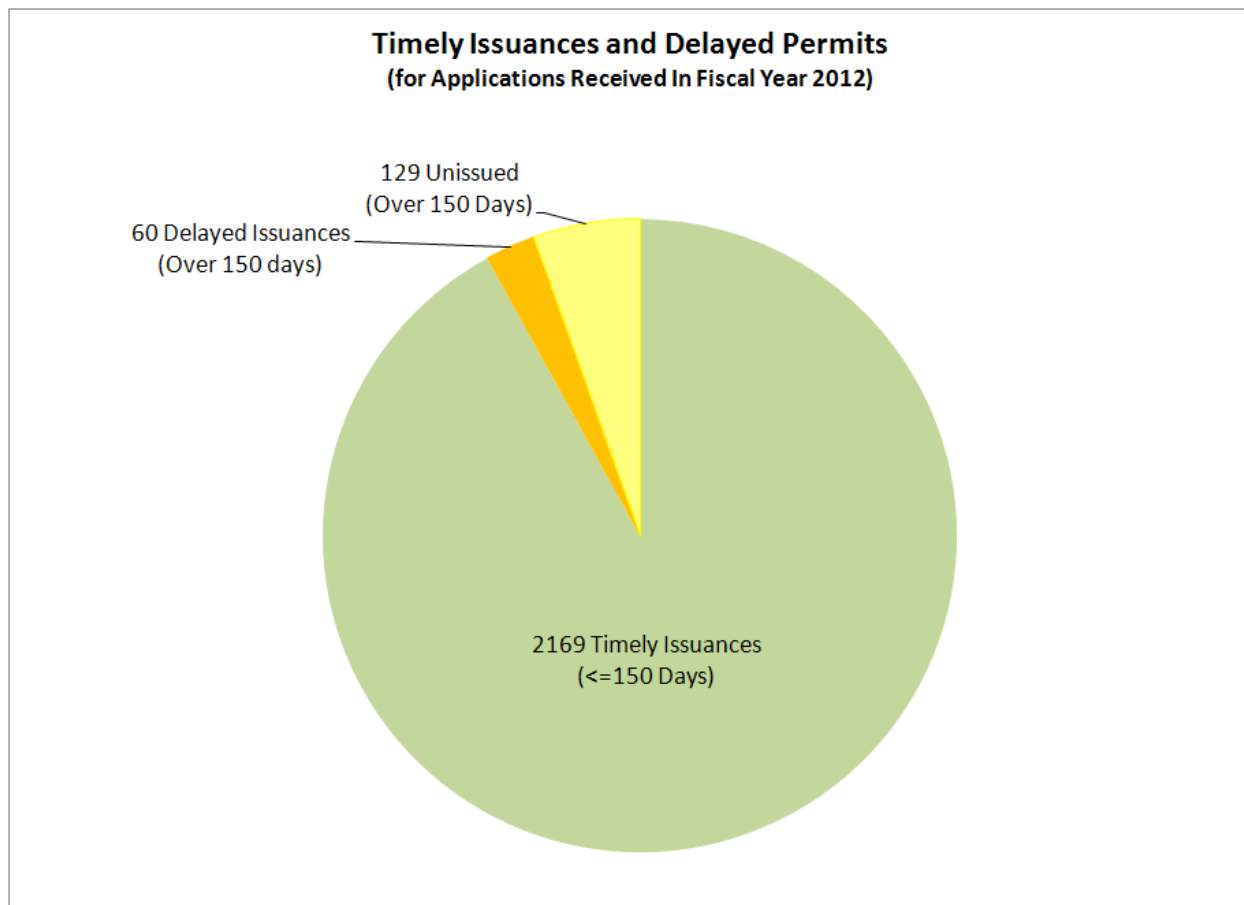
After accounting for the withdrawn and returned applications, the MPCA had 2,648 permit applications to process during this reporting period. Of these, the MPCA issued 2,229 permits.



Timely Issuance (Issued In 150 Days or Less)			
	Priority	Non-Priority	Combined
Total (All Media)	1703	466	2169
Water	1691	381	2072
Air	7	61	68
Land	5	24	29

### **Delayed Actions**

Of the 2,229 permits issued in FY2012, sixty (60) took longer than 150 days. And as of June 30, 2012, 129 permit applications that have not been issued are older than 150 days. Taken together, a total of 189 permits or applications pending issuance have exceeded the 150-day permit issuance goal.



Applications Over 150 Days Old (60 Issued; 129 Not Issued)				
	Issued Priority	Issued Non-Priority	Not Issued Priority	Not Issued Non-Priority
Total (All Media)	18	42	6	123
Water	10	37	2	73
Air	8	2	4	35
Land	0	3	0	15

Appendix A  
(Projects Over 150 Days and Reasons for Delay)

Media	Permit Type	Preferred ID	Facility Name	Priority	County	City	Date Received	Date Issued	Reason For Delay
Air	Air stationary source	08500049	3M - Hutchinson Tape Manufacturing Plant	N	McLeod	Hutchinson	12/1/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	06100001	Blandin Paper/Rapids Energy Center	N	Itasca	Grand Rapids	12/9/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	10900022	C Cab Products Inc - Plant 2	N	Olmsted	Rochester	9/29/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	09700026	Central MN Ethanol Cooperative	N	Morrison	Little Falls	1/23/2012	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	14700012	Crown Cork & Seal Co Inc - Owatonna	N	Steele	Owatonna	11/9/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	14500010	DeZurik Inc	N	Stearns	Sartell	1/25/2012	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	01300004	Dotson Co Inc	Y	Blue Earth	Mankato	11/7/2011	5/3/2012	2
Air	Air stationary source	01900022	ELKAY Wood Products Co - Waconia	N	Carver	Waconia	8/18/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	01900022	ELKAY Wood Products Co - Waconia	N	Carver	Waconia	10/17/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	05300411	Enviro-Chem Inc - Plant 1	N	Hennepin	Rogers	11/22/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	04900040	Foldcraft Co - Kenyon	N	Goodhue	Kenyon	9/12/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	11100077	Green Plains Otter Tail LLC	N	Otter Tail	Fergus Falls	11/29/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	06300025	Heron Lake BioEnergy LLC	N	Jackson	Heron Lake	10/7/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	06300025	Heron Lake BioEnergy LLC	N	Jackson	Heron Lake	12/12/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	13700061	Hibbing Taconite Co	N	St. Louis	Hibbing	10/6/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	13700061	Hibbing Taconite Co	N	St. Louis	Hibbing	10/25/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	07500019	Louisiana-Pacific Corp - Two Harbors	N	Lake	Two Harbors	12/6/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	06100004	Minnesota Power Inc - Boswell Energy Ctr	N	Itasca	Cohasset	9/29/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	13700015	Minnesota Power Inc - Hibbard Renewable Energy Ctr	N	St. Louis	Duluth	1/10/2012	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	13100022	MOM Brands - Plant 2 - Northfield	N	Rice	Northfield	12/28/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	13100005	Multek Flexible Circuits Inc-Sheldahl Rd	N	Dakota	Northfield	12/21/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	05300113	Nico Products Inc	N	Hennepin	Minneapolis	11/21/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	02500031	North Branch Water & Light Commission	N	Chisago	North Branch	11/29/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	12300088	Northern Iron of St Paul LLC	N	Ramsey	St. Paul	7/21/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	07500003	Northshore Mining - Silver Bay	N	Lake	Silver Bay	8/22/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	04700061	REG Albert Lea LLC	N	Freeborn	Albert Lea	11/14/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	16300003	Saint Paul Park Refining Co LLC	N	Washington	St. Paul Park	7/21/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	07900009	Unimin Corp - Kasota Plant	N	Le Sueur	Kasota	11/8/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	04900007	USG Interiors Inc - Red Wing	N	Goodhue	Red Wing	12/22/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	17100089	Veolia ES Rolling Hills Landfill Inc	N	Wright	Buffalo	8/8/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	03500002	Wausau Paper Mills LLC	N	Crow Wing	Brainerd	1/30/2012	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	13700043	Wisconsin Central Ltd - Duluth Ore Dock	N	St. Louis	Duluth	8/24/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	13700043	Wisconsin Central Ltd - Duluth Ore Dock	N	St. Louis	Duluth	1/9/2012	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	17100019	Xcel Energy - Monticello Generating Plt	Y	Wright	Monticello	11/14/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	04900030	Xcel Energy - Prairie Island Nuclear Plant	Y	Goodhue	Welch	11/14/2011	Not Issued	2
Air	Air stationary source	03900028	Al-Corn Clean Fuel	Y	Dodge	Claremont	9/26/2011	Not Issued	3
Air	Air stationary source	13700287	Calumet Superior LLC - Duluth Petroleum Products	N	St. Louis	Proctor	9/27/2011	3/30/2012	4
Air	Air stationary source	09100059	CHS Oilseed Processing - Fairmont	Y	Martin	Fairmont	9/6/2011	3/6/2012	4
Air	Air stationary source	14500067	Cold Spring Granite Co	N	Stearns	Cold Spring	1/20/2012	Not Issued	4
Air	Air stationary source	00300019	Cummins Power Generation	N	Anoka	Fridley	7/27/2011	Not Issued	4
Air	Air stationary source	01900022	ELKAY Wood Products Co - Waconia	Y	Carver	Waconia	10/25/2011	4/12/2012	4
Air	Air stationary source	05301023	Graco Inc - David A Koch Center	Y	Hennepin	Rogers	12/14/2011	6/20/2012	4
Air	Air stationary source	07900050	Hometown BioEnergy	Y	Le Sueur	Le Sueur	10/12/2011	5/3/2012	4
Air	Air stationary source	05301240	Innovent	N	Hennepin	Minneapolis	1/3/2012	Not Issued	4
Air	Air stationary source	01900067	LifeCore Biomedical LLC	N	Carver	Chaska	9/2/2011	5/15/2012	4
Air	Air stationary source	14500029	Martin Marietta Aggregates - St Cloud	Y	Stearns	Waite Park	9/19/2011	4/20/2012	4
Air	Air stationary source	01300099	Poet Biorefining - Lake Crystal	Y	Blue Earth	Lake Crystal	12/7/2011	Not Issued	4
Air	Air stationary source	04900030	Xcel Energy - Prairie Island Nuclear Plant	Y	Goodhue	Welch	9/27/2011	4/11/2012	4
Air	Air stationary source	06100067	Essar Steel Minnesota LLC	Y	Itasca	Nashwauk	10/14/2011	5/10/2012	5
Land	HW Permit	MND980824890	BAE Containment/Treatment Facility	N	Hennipin	Minneapolis	11/14/2011	Not Issued	6
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-616	Commercial Container Mpls Recyc/Transfer	N	Hennepin	Minneapolis	11/9/2011	4/27/2012	1
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-661	Red Wing Recycling & Transfer Facility	N	Goodhue	Red Wing	1/30/2012	Not Issued	1
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-594	Waste Management - Maple Grove Transfer	N	Hennepin	Maple Grove	12/5/2011	Not Issued	1
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-359	Camp Ripley Demolition Debris Disp Facility	N	Morrison	Little Falls	1/27/2012	Not Issued	2
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-423	Hibbing Demolition Landfill	N	St. Louis	Hibbing	11/30/2011	Not Issued	2
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-410	Pope-Douglas Ash Landfill	N	Douglas	Alexandria	1/3/2012	Not Issued	2
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-612	R & G Demolition Landfill	N	Lyon	Balaton	1/6/2012	Not Issued	2
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-597	BFI - Flying Cloud Transfer Station	N	Hennepin	Eden Prairie	10/12/2011	3/20/2012	3
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-307	NSP - Red Wing Ash Disposal Facility	N	Goodhue	Red Wing	12/5/2011	Not Issued	3
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-435	American Crystal Sugar/Crookston	N	Polk	Crookston	9/14/2011	Not Issued	4
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-434	American Crystal Sugar/East Grand Forks	N	Polk	East Grand Forks	9/14/2011	Not Issued	4
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-433	American Crystal Sugar/Moorhead	N	Clay	Moorhead	7/27/2011	Not Issued	4
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-306	Beltrami County Demolition Landfill	N	Beltrami	Bemidji	1/5/2012	Not Issued	4
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-543	Hoss Demolition Landfill	N	Cass	Walker	9/19/2011	4/4/2012	4
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-333	TK Demolition Disposal LLC	N	Stearns	Cold Spring	7/25/2011	Not Issued	4
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-662	Full Circle Organics/Good Thunder Compost Facility	N	Blue Earth	Good Thunder	12/16/2011	Not Issued	5
Land	Permitted SW Facility	SW-660	Liberty Tire Services of Ohio LLC	N	Stearns	St. Martin	1/18/2012	Not Issued	5
Water	Feedlot - General Permit	105-93125	Hokeness Grain & Livestock Inc	Y	Nobles	Adrian	7/28/2011	1/31/2012	1
Water	Feedlot - General Permit	165-50164	Larry Mohwinkel Farm	N	Watsonwan	Lewisville	7/21/2011	Not Issued	1
Water	Feedlot - General Permit	165-105940	Larry Mohwinkel Farm - Sec 33	N	Watsonwan	St. James	7/21/2011	Not Issued	1

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Media	Permit Type	Preferred ID	Facility Name	Priority	County	City	Date Received	Date Issued	Reason For Delay
Water	Feedlot - General Permit	091-111018	Truesdell Finisher	N	Martin	Sherburn	1/13/2012	Not Issued	2
Water	Feedlot - General Permit	083-50026	Guy Jeremaison Farm - South	N	Lyon	Minneota	7/22/2011	3/6/2012	4
Water	Feedlot - General Permit	005-62791	Red/Eye Hogs LLC	N	Becker	Frazee	7/25/2011	2/9/2012	4
Water	Feedlot - General Permit	147-92486	Matt Holland Farm Sec.27	Y	Steele	Ellendale	9/22/2011	3/7/2012	5
Water	Feedlot - Individual Permit	083-97260	Guy Jeremaison Farm - North	N	Lyon	Minneota	7/22/2011	4/19/2012	4
Water	Feedlot - Individual Permit	145-113814	Huls Bros Trucking Inc	N	Stearns	St. Joseph	7/22/2011	Not Issued	4
Water	Feedlot - Individual Permit	115-96320	Luoma Egg Ranch Inc	N	Pine	Finlayson	11/16/2011	Not Issued	5
Water	General Permit	MNG820008	Akeley WTP	N	Hubbard	Akeley	12/29/2011	Not Issued	2
Water	General Permit	MNG580224	Bigelow WWTP	N	Nobles	Bigelow	12/27/2011	Not Issued	2
Water	General Permit	MN0021954	Lake Lillian WWTP	N	Kandiyohi	Lake Lillian	1/9/2012	Not Issued	2
Water	General Permit	MNG490176	Tri-County Aggregate Inc	N	Rice	Faribault	10/14/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	General Permit	MNG490269	Marvin Tretter Inc	N	Morrison	Pierz	8/17/2011	4/5/2012	4
Water	General Permit	MNG640002	Albert Lea WTP	N	Freeborn	Albert Lea	1/3/2012	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG820009	Alexandria WTP	N	Douglas	Alexandria	1/3/2012	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG820010	Anoka WTP	N	Anoka	Anoka	12/27/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG820011	Babbitt WTP	N	St. Louis	Babbitt	12/27/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG820012	Baxter WTP	N	Crow Wing	Baxter	12/28/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640018	Bovey WTP	N	Itasca	Bovey	12/29/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG820014	Brainerd WTP	N	Crow Wing	Brainerd	12/28/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640022	Chokio WTP	N	Stevens	Chokio	12/23/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640025	Courtland WTP	N	Nicollet	Courtland	12/28/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640123	Delano WTP	N	Wright	Delano	12/22/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG820015	Donnelly WTP	N	Stevens	Donnelly	1/24/2012	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640109	Ely WTP	N	St. Louis	Ely	12/27/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640031	Eveleth WTP	N	St. Louis	Eveleth	12/27/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640118	Forest Lake WTP	N	Washington	Forest Lake	1/6/2012	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG820016	Ironton WTP	N	Crow Wing	Ironton	12/9/2011	Not Issued	6
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Water	General Permit	MNG820023	Luverne WTP - Plant 2	N	Rock	Luverne	12/29/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG820018	Marshall & Polk Rural Water System	N	Marshall	Warren	12/28/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640117	New Prague WTP	N	Le Sueur	New Prague	11/30/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG490026	Northern Improvement Co - Benedict Pit	N	Clay	Sabin	9/19/2011	5/25/2012	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640079	Rock County Rural WTP	N	Rock	Luverne	1/25/2012	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640081	Saint Anthony WTP	N	Hennepin	St. Anthony	12/27/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640087	Savage WTP 2	N	Scott	Savage	12/21/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640084	St Louis Park WTP	N	Hennepin	St. Louis Park	1/3/2012	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG490162	Stafne Construction & Aggregate LLC	N	Pine	Hinckley	8/29/2011	4/20/2012	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640113	USCOE Lock & Dam 2 WTP	N	Dakota	Hastings	1/24/2012	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640120	USCOE Lock & Dam 5 WTP	N	Winona	Minnesota City	1/24/2012	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640119	Vergas WTP	N	Otter Tail	Vergas	1/3/2012	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640096	Wayzata WTP - Plant 2	N	Hennepin	Wayzata	12/27/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG820021	Wheaton WTP	N	Traverse	Wheaton	1/10/2012	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG820022	White Bear Township WTP	N	Ramsey	White Bear Lake	12/9/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	General Permit	MNG640105	Worthington WTP	N	Nobles	Worthington	12/27/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	Individual Permit	MN0066028	Aspen Hills WWTP	N	Sherburne	Elk River	9/2/2011	Not Issued	1
Water	Individual Permit	MN0067385	Heron Lake BioEnergy LLC	N	Jackson	Heron Lake	12/16/2011	5/18/2012	1
Water	Individual Permit	MN0024856	Sebeka WWTP	N	Wadena	Sebeka	1/3/2012	6/15/2012	1
Water	Individual Permit	MN0068403	Tom's Harbor Owners Association Inc	N	Cass	Cass Lake	9/2/2011	Not Issued	1
Water	Individual Permit	MN0047325	Avon WWTP	N	Stearns	Avon	10/28/2011	4/25/2012	2
Water	Individual Permit	MN0050342	Bluffton WWTP	N	Otter Tail	Bluffton	11/28/2011	Not Issued	2
Water	Individual Permit	MN0064882	Crosslake WWTP	N	Crow Wing	Crosslake	10/24/2011	5/23/2012	2
Water	Individual Permit	MN0059480	ISD 15 - Cedar Creek Community School	N	Anoka	East Bethel	10/12/2011	4/17/2012	2
Water	Individual Permit	MN0020214	Marble WWTP	N	Itasca	Marble	11/2/2011	6/29/2012	2
Water	Individual Permit	MN0046752	Mazeppa WWTP	N	Wabasha	Mazeppa	12/5/2011	5/4/2012	2
Water	Individual Permit	MN0025895	Morristown WWTP	N	Rice	Morristown	12/19/2011	5/21/2012	2
Water	Individual Permit	MN0065668	Nerstrand WWTP	N	Rice	Nerstrand	10/19/2011	3/29/2012	2
Water	Individual Permit	MN0110027	USCOE Leech Lake Rec Area WWTP	N	Cass	Federal Dam	10/21/2011	4/9/2012	2
Water	Individual Permit	MN0022691	Bagley WWTP	N	Clearwater	Bagley	10/3/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0022799	Bertha WWTP	Y	Todd	Bertha	11/1/2011	4/10/2012	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0053562	Brownsville WWTP	N	Houston	Brownsville	12/27/2011	6/28/2012	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0025721	Camp Ripley WWTP	N	Morrison	Little Falls	8/26/2011	5/21/2012	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0063649	CenterPoint Energy Distribution System	Y	Hennepin	Minneapolis	12/23/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0049441	Central Bi-Products - North Redwood	N	Redwood	Redwood Falls	1/3/2012	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0003441	Cytec Engineered Materials Inc	N	Winona	Winona	8/24/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0020192	Detroit Lakes WWTP	N	Becker	Detroit Lakes	9/2/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0068781	FSI International - Lyman Blvd	N	Carver	Chaska	12/23/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0051811	HB Fuller Co - Willow Lake	N	Ramsey	Vadnais Heights	8/25/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0064408	Hiniker Co	N	Blue Earth	Mankato	8/29/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0070149	Hometown BioEnergy	Y	Le Sueur	Le Sueur	10/3/2011	4/30/2012	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0055832	Hutchinson WWTP	N	McLeod	Hutchinson	10/4/2011	4/30/2012	3

Appendix A  
(Projects Over 150 Days and Reasons for Delay)

Media	Permit Type	Preferred ID	Facility Name	Priority	County	City	Date Received	Date Issued	Reason For Delay
Water	Individual Permit	MN0000957	Interstate Power - Fox Lake Station	N	Martin	Sherburn	12/21/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0060976	Magellan Pipeline Co LP - Wrenshall Terminal	N	Carlton	Wrenshall	8/31/2011	6/1/2012	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0055026	Marvin Windows & Doors	N	Roseau	Warroad	9/29/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0024031	McKinley WWTP	N	St. Louis	McKinley	1/3/2012	6/7/2012	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0060798	MG Waldbaum Co - Gaylord	N	Sibley	Gaylord	10/4/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0001007	Minnesota Power - Boswell Energy Center	N	Itasca	Cohasset	9/2/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0024228	Montrose WWTP	N	Wright	Montrose	11/18/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0021156	Mora WWTP	N	Kanabec	Mora	8/1/2011	3/19/2012	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0046035	Order of St Benedict - Power Plant	N	Stearns	Collegeville	11/1/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0048810	Owens Corning Roofing & Asphalt LLC Mpls	N	Hennepin	Minneapolis	9/1/2011	6/1/2012	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0063118	POET Biorefining - Ethanol 2000 LLP	N	Cottonwood	Bingham Lake	8/30/2011	3/6/2012	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0065692	POET Biorefining - Glenville East	N	Freeborn	Albert Lea	12/1/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0031917	Rahr Malting Co	N	Scott	Shakopee	1/17/2012	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0024562	Randall WWTP	N	Morrison	Randall	7/25/2011	2/17/2012	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0065960	Rivercrest Farms WWTP	N	Sherburne	Big Lake	9/6/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0067369	Shores of Eagle Lake Homeowners Association	N	Sherburne	Zimmerman	12/29/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0063436	U of M - Minnesota Library Access Center	N	Hennepin	Minneapolis	11/10/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0002968	United/Children's Hospitals	N	Ramsey	St. Paul	8/11/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0025119	Verndale WWTP	N	Wadena	Verndale	10/6/2011	4/10/2012	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0003301	Xcel Energy - Fifth Street Substation	N	Hennepin	Minneapolis	10/3/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0060089	Xcel Energy Hydrostatic Testing	N	Hennepin	Minneapolis	11/18/2011	Not Issued	3
Water	Individual Permit	MN0051900	Backus WWTP	Y	Cass	Backus	10/12/2011	4/3/2012	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0065391	Benton Utilities WWTP	N	Benton	Rice	11/1/2011	6/15/2012	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0067211	Bushmills Ethanol	N	Kandiyohi	Atwater	11/22/2011	Not Issued	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0062481	Cold Spring Granite - Plants	N	Stearns	Cold Spring	10/31/2011	Not Issued	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0023108	Cologne WWTP	N	Carver	Cologne	8/29/2011	Not Issued	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0070092	Community of Roseland WWTP	Y	Kandiyohi	Blomkest	7/29/2011	3/20/2012	4
Water	Individual Permit	MNG550005	Goodhue WWTP	N	Goodhue	Goodhue	11/16/2011	Not Issued	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0068357	Green Plains Otter Tail	Y	Otter Tail	Fergus Falls	12/8/2011	Not Issued	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0023876	Lafayette WWTP	N	Nicollet	Lafayette	11/28/2011	6/6/2012	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0063304	Magellan Pipeline Co LP - Hydrostatic	Y	Ramsey	Roseville	11/9/2011	4/24/2012	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0070122	MCES - Rosemount Pond 3 Biosolids Storage	N	Dakota	Rosemount	9/19/2011	4/5/2012	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0024147	Milaca WWTP	N	Mille Lacs	Milaca	11/15/2011	6/28/2012	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0054330	New York Mills WWTP	N	Otter Tail	New York Mills	7/25/2011	5/4/2012	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0068322	Springsteel Island Sanitary District	N	Roseau	Warroad	7/21/2011	4/12/2012	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0070106	UofM NOvA Far Detector Bldg Water Treatment System	Y	St. Louis	Orr	10/12/2011	5/18/2012	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0041157	Walker WWTP	N	Cass	Walker	8/12/2011	6/11/2012	4
Water	Individual Permit	MN0020257	NKASD WWTP	Y	Koochiching	International Falls	8/8/2011	1/24/2012	5
Water	Individual Permit	MN0024988	Staples WWTP	N	Todd	Staples	10/24/2011	5/23/2012	5
Water	Individual Permit	MN0065889	The Ponds WWTP	N	Anoka	Oak Grove	10/3/2011	4/16/2012	5
Water	Individual Permit	MN0022926	Browerville WWTP	N	Todd	Browerville	12/29/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	Individual Permit	MN0050628	Fergus Falls WWTP	N	Otter Tail	Fergus Falls	12/29/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	Individual Permit	MN0000418	Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend LLC	N	Dakota	Rosemount	1/3/2012	Not Issued	6
Water	Individual Permit	MN0020664	Lake City WWTP	N	Wabasha	Lake City	11/7/2011	4/12/2012	6
Water	Individual Permit	MN0003182	Little Falls WTP	N	Morrison	Little Falls	12/19/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	Individual Permit	MN0024210	Montgomery WWTP	N	Le Sueur	Montgomery	11/7/2011	4/19/2012	6
Water	Individual Permit	MN0003069	New York Mills WTP	N	Otter Tail	New York Mills	12/19/2011	Not Issued	6
Water	Individual Permit	MN0068241	Essar Steel Minnesota LLC	N	Itasca	Nashwauk	12/5/2011	Not Issued	7
Water	Sewer Extension Permit	MN0020231	Caledonia	Y	Houston	Caledonia	8/29/2011	3/16/2012	4
Delay Code	Delay Description								
1*	Unresolved compliance issues								
2	Lack of staff								
3	No significant external reasons for delay								
4*	Waiting for information from permittee								
5	Significant public engagement process								
6*	Changes in Federal/State regulations or policies								
7	Federal/EPA review								
*Note:	Delay reasons 1, 4 and 6 may involve scientific and technical disagreements.								