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To: Ms. Catherine Neuschler
Director, MN Environmental Quality Board
For EQB Chair Nancy Daubenberger

Re: University of St. Thomas Multipurpose Arena Environmental Assessment Worksheet
City of Saint Paul, Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU)

Dear Ms. Neuschler,

The City of Saint Paul is the RGU for the above referenced EAW. Notice of availability of the EAW was published in the *EQB Monitor* on October 8, 2024, and the 30-day comment period ended on November 7, 2024.

Under Minn. Rules 4410.1700 Subp. 2B, the RGU must make a decision on the need for an EIS no later than 15 days after the end of the review period. That part further states that the 15-day period shall be extended by the EQB Chair for an additional 15 days upon request by the RGU.

Pursuant to Minn. Rules 4410.1700 Subp. 2B, the City of Saint Paul hereby respectfully requests a 15-day extension of the time period allowed to make a decision on the need for an EIS in regard to the St. Thomas Multipurpose Arena EAW. This will extend the end of allowed decision period from December 3, 2024 to a new end date of December 24, 2024.

You may reach me at 651.266.6659 or josh.williams@ci.stpaul.mn.us with any questions.

Sincerely,

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On behalf of Nicolle Newton, Director
Department of Planning and Economic Development,
City of Saint Paul