



**Request for City Council Committee Action
Health Department**

Date: March 18, 2013
To: REGULATORY, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Subject: LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE CENTER FOR ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT FOR ENERGY STAR PORTFOLIO MANAGER TRAINING

Recommendation:

To enter into a License Agreement with the Center for Energy and Environment (CEE) by which the City will grant to CEE a perpetual, non-exclusive, and royalty free license to permit CEE to conduct additional Energy Star Portfolio Manager Training related to training materials, developed by CEE and which are owned by the City and paid for through an Environmental Assistance Grant from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

Previous Directives: Acceptance of Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Environmental Assistance Grant on July 20, 2012; Council approval of 47.190 - Commercial Building Rating and Disclosure on February 8, 2013

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Approved by:

Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ____ Not Applicable X
Policy Review Group (PRG) Approval ____ Date of Approval ____ Not Applicable X

Presenters in Committee: Patrick Hanlon, Environmental Services Supervisor

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

X No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).

Community Impact (use any categories that apply)

City Goals: ECO-FOCUSED Minneapolis is an internationally recognized leader for a healthy environment and sustainable future strategic directions: use less energy, produce less waste

Background/Supporting Information

The city of Minneapolis passed a Commercial Building Rating and Disclosure policy on February 8th, 2013. This policy requires building owners and operators to report energy and water use information to the City using a benchmarking tool known as Energy Star Portfolio Manager. The implementation of this policy will, first and foremost, place a heavy emphasis on training and education. The city of Minneapolis has agreed to partner with The Center for Energy and Environment (CEE) in providing training to building owners and operators in Minneapolis. The training is funded through a grant awarded by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. CEE and Minneapolis have written a contract by which the

City paid CEE to develop the training materials and to provide the necessary trainings to building owners and operators in Minneapolis. CEE has requested that the City grant to CEE a license agreement to the contract to allow CEE to use the material in future trainings within and outside the city. Staff recommendation is to allow this license agreement as CEE will use the material to increase compliance with Chapter 47 requirements and more importantly promote energy efficiency in our city.