DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

STATE OF MINNESOTA

BEFORE THE DIRECTOR OF

STRATEGIC AND LONG RANGE PLANNING

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION)	
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DUNDAS)	
AND THE TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER PURSUANT)	<u>ORDER</u>
TO MINNESOTA STATUTES 414)	

WHEREAS, a joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of Dundas and the Town of Bridgewater; and

WHEREAS, a joint resolution was received from the City of Dundas and the Town of Bridgewater indicating their desire that certain property be annexed to the City of Dundas pursuant to M.S. 414.0325; and

WHEREAS, M.S. 414.0325 states that in certain circumstances the Director of Strategic and Long Range Planning may review and comment, but shall within 30 days order the annexation of land pursuant to said subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2005, the Director has reviewed and accepted the resolution for orderly annexation;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That the following described property is hereby annexed in accordance with the terms of the joint resolution to the City of Dundas, Minnesota, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof:

THAT PORTION OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE 1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) LYING NORTH AND WEST OF COUNTY ROAD NO. 78 CENTER LINE; IN SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 111 NORTH, RANGE 20 WEST OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, RICE

COUNTY, MINNESOTA:

AND ALSO THAT PORTION OF THE SOUTH ONE-HALF (S ½) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4) LYING NORTH AND WEST OF THE CENTER LINE OF COUNTY ROAD NO. 78, IN SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 111 NORTH, RANGE 20 WEST OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, RICE COUNTY, MINNESOTA, EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE FOLLOWING PARCEL OF LAND TO-WIT:

BEGINNING AT A POINT WHERE THE CENTER LINE OF COUNTY ROAD NO. 78 INTERSECTS WITH THE NORTH LINE OF THE SAID SOUTH ONE-HALF (S 1/2) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW.1/4); THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG THE SAID CENTER LINE, A DISTANCE OF 528 FEET: **THENCE NORTHWESTERLY** PERPENDICULAR WITH SAID CENTER LINE 250 FEET; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY PARALLEL WITH SAID CENTER LINE TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SOUTH ONE-HALF (S ½) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4): THENCE EAST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; SUBJECT TO ROADS, EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD.

Dated this 11th day of January, 2005.

For the Director 658 Cedar Street, Room 300

St. Paul Minnesota 55155

Christine M. Scotillo Executive Director

Municipal Boundary Adjustments

<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

In ordering the annexation contained in Docket No. OA-1086-2, the Director finds and makes the following comments:

Paragraph 16 of the agreement states the Township shall not receive the tax revenue from the annexed area until the area is developed. At that time, the Township shall receive tax revenue rebated for a period of 10 years. By making this order, no determination is made as to the effectiveness of such a schedule. Minnesota Statutes Section 414.036 allows for a reimbursement to the township of property taxes of substantially equal payments over a period of not less than two nor more than six years.

Paragraph 30 states the agreement shall terminate on December 31, 2033, or the date upon which all permitted annexation of land in the Annexation Area has been completed, whichever occurs first. Termination procedures may be contrary to the act of conferring jurisdiction to the Director. Once jurisdiction is conferred, it cannot be taken away by written consent of the parties. Jurisdiction ends when all the designated area is annexed. The issue whether jurisdiction could be "given back" by the Director upon written request of the parties to the agreement to mutually end their agreement has not been addressed.

The parties are encouraged to consider this comment in light of any further amendments that may be otherwise necessary to this agreement for orderly annexation.