STATE OF MINNESOTA

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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

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

WHEREAS, an amendment to the joint resolution was received from the City of Morris and the Town of Darnen requesting that certain property be annexed to the City of Morris 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 pursuant to said subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, Reorganization Order No. 192, effective March 8, 2005, has transferred the duties of the Director to the Chief Administrative Law Judge.

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2005, the Chief Administrative Law Judge 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 Morris, Minnesota, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof:

Government Lot 4 and the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 1, Township 124 North, Range 42 West, Stevens County, Minnesota. Includes right of way for Trunk Highway No. 59 as shown on STATE HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY PLAT NO. 75-3, according to the

recorded plat thereof.

Together with:

That part of Government Lot 3 and that part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 1, Township 124 North, Range 42 West, Stevens County, Minnesota, lying westerly of road known as West Pomme de Terre Road, not previously annexed to the City of Morris.

Together with:

That part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and that part of Government Lot 1, Section 2, Township 124 North, Range 42 West, Stevens County, Minnesota, lying easterly of the west right of way line of Trunk Highway No. 59, as shown on STATE HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY PLAT NO. 75-3, according to the recorded plat thereof, not previously annexed to the City of Morris

Dated this 9th day of June, 2005.

For the Chief Administrative Law Judge 658 Cedar Street - Room 300 St. Paul, MN 55155

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Municipal Boundary Adjustments

MEMORANDUM

In ordering the annexation contained in Docket No. OA-132-10, the Chief Administrative Law Judge finds and makes the following comment:

Planning in the area designated for orderly annexation must be provided for by one of three provisions set forth in Minnesota Statutes Section 414.0325, Subd. 5. The joint resolution does not make reference to which of the three statutory provisions the parties have agreed on to govern planning in the designated area.

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.