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**BEFORE THE
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL
STATE OF WYOMING**

February 9, 2001

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
PROPOSED REPEAL OF THE)
WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF)
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY)
RULES RELATED TO)
TRAVEL EXPENSES AND)
INFORMATION PRACTICES)

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPAL
REASONS FOR REPEAL

Program: Travel Expenses

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2	Definition	07/01/1977	1656
3	General Provisions	07/01/1977	1657
4	Lodging and Meal Expense Reimbursement	07/01/1977	1658
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Program: Information Practices

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1	Information Practices	04/26/1978	1660

The above listed rules are no longer applicable, nor are they appropriate. These rules, among other things, prescribe lodging, meal and transportation expenses and information practices for Department of Environmental Quality employees. It is inappropriate for the Department of Environmental Quality to have rules pertaining to these procedural issues as these types of expense allowances are determined by the Wyoming Legislature through statute and administered by the State Auditors Office. A state agency should not promulgate its own rules on these matters. The Department of Environmental Quality now provides guidance to its employees on these procedures through statewide and department specific policy documents. Therefore, the Department of Environmental Quality is proposing to repeal each of the above listed Chapters and all rules contained within them.

Attached is the complete text of listed Chapters as filed with the Wyoming Secretary of State. Please note that the entire contents of each Chapter is proposed for repeal. However, to improve readability

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of this package, the attached text has not been stricken.

No Agency authority existed for the original filing of these rules. The authority for repealing these rules is provided by W.S. 35-11-109(a)(i).

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The authority to amend and repeal this group of rules is provided by W.S. §§ 35-11- 112(a)(i), 35-11-402(a)(i) and 35-11-406(a)(vii).

Conclusion

The Environmental Quality Council, in accordance with the authority granted to it by W.S. § 35-11-112 As Amended, and having complied with the provisions of the Wyoming Administrative Procedures Act, finds as follows:

1. The repeal of these regulations are reasonable and necessary for the effectuation of W.S. § 35-11-101 through W.S. § 35-11-1304, As Amended.
2. The repeal of these rules and regulations are necessary and appropriate as no Agency authority existed for the original filing of these rules.

Dated this 9th day of February, 2001.



Hearing Examiner
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