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The Chief Clerk makes the following entries under the above date:

Clearinghouse Rule 07-051 effective 11-01-2008
Clearinghouse Rule 08-023 part eff. 11-01-2008
Clearinghouse Rule 08-031 effective 11-01-2008
Clearinghouse Rule 08-032 effective 11-01-2008
Clearinghouse Rule 08-037 effective 11-01-2008
Clearinghouse Rule 08-040 effective 11-01-2008
Clearinghouse Rule 08-048 effective 11-01-2008

COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin
Joint Legislative Council
Madison

November 3, 2008

Mr. Patrick Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk
17 West Main Street, Suite 401
Madison, WI 53703

Dear Patrick:

Enclosed is a copy of the General Report of the Joint Legislative Council to the 2007-2008 Legislature, prepared and submitted pursuant to s. 13.81(3), Stats.

I would appreciate your noting in the Assembly Journal pursuant to s. 13.172 Stats., that this report has been delivered to your office.

Sincerely,
TERRY C. ANDERSON
Director

State of Wisconsin
Legislative Reference Bureau
Madison

DATE: November 11, 2008
TO: Patrick E. Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk
Robert Marchant
Senate Chief Clerk
FROM: Bruce J. Hoesly
Senior Legislative Attorney/Code Editor
SUBJECT: Rules published in the October 31, 2008,
Wisconsin Administrative [Register, No. 634](#)

The following rules have been published:

REFERRAL OF AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin
Department of Natural Resources
Madison

October 31, 2008

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

In fulfillment of the requirements under s. 299.80(16), Wisconsin State Statutes, I am submitting to you a copy of the Environmental Cooperation Pilot Program 2008 Progress Report. Please distribute as appropriate. I am also providing a copy of the Report to the Governor and to the Chief Clerk of the Senate.

For more information on the Environmental Cooperation Pilot Program or additional copies of this report, please contact Mark McDermid at (608) 267-3125, or visit our web site at <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/cea/ecpp/index.htm>.

Sincerely,
MATTHEW FRANK
Secretary

Referred to committee on **Natural Resources**.

DATE: November 1, 2008
TO: Patrick E. Fuller, Assembly Chief Clerk
Robert J. Marchant, Senate Chief Clerk
FROM: Donna Katen-Bahensky
President and CEO
University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics
SUBJECT: Report required under 233.04(1)

Attached please find a copy of the UWHC Authority report on patient care, education, research, community service activities and an audited financial statement required by state law.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or desire additional information.

State of Wisconsin
Claims Board
Madison

Referred to committee on **Health and Health Care Reform**.

November 25, 2008

State of Wisconsin
Department of Administration
Madison

November 4, 2008

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

In compliance with Wisconsin statute 16.548, please find the Wisconsin Office of Federal/State Relations quarterly report to be submitted to the Legislature for the Third Quarter of 2008. This report provides information on the activities of the office and the status of federal legislation of concern to the State of Wisconsin.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this material.

Sincerely,
MICHAEL L. MORGAN
Secretary

Referred to committee on **State Affairs**.

State of Wisconsin
Department of Natural Resources
Madison

November 17, 2008

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

The DNR is required to submit the attached report per s. [23.0916\(6\)](#), Wis. Stats. This report is to be shared with the Joint Committee on Finance, Senate Committee on the Environment and Natural Resources, and Assembly Committee on Natural Resources.

Please contact Mary Rose Teves, Grants Section Chief, at 267-7683 if you should have any questions about this document.

Sincerely,
VANCE L. RAYBURN, ADMINISTRATOR
Division of Customer and Employee
Services

Referred to committee on **Natural Resources**.

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

Enclosed is the report of the State Claims Board covering the claims heard on November 6, 2008.

Those claims approved for payment pursuant to the provisions of s. [16.007](#) and [775.05](#) Stats., have been paid directly by the Board.

This report is for the information of the Legislature. The Board would appreciate your acceptance and publication of it in the Journal to inform the members of the Legislature.

Sincerely,
CARI ANNE RENLUND
Secretary

Referred to committee on **State Affairs**.

AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin
Legislative Audit Bureau
Madison

November 20, 2008

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

As required by s. [13.94\(1\)\(em\)](#), Wis. Stats., we have completed a program evaluation of the Wisconsin Lottery, which is administered by the Department of Revenue. Although annual sales have fluctuated, they increased from a total of \$482.9 million in fiscal year (FY) 2003-04 to \$494.7 million in FY 2007-08, or by 2.4 percent over the past five years. Net lottery proceeds provided \$146.5 million in property tax relief in FY 2007-08.

In FY 2005-06, the Wisconsin Lottery implemented an evaluation tool to assist in the development and management of instant games. We include a recommendation for the Wisconsin Lottery to include product information costs, which include spending to publicize individual games, in the evaluation tool and to require its contractor to regularly report on product information expenditures associated with specific games.

Between FY 2003-04 and FY 2007-08, the Wisconsin Lottery paid one contractor \$25.2 million for product information services and another contractor \$61.1 million for operations services such as computerized gaming system services. Formal annual performance evaluations are required under both contracts. While the Wisconsin Lottery meets regularly with its product information contractor to provide verbal feedback, it has not completed formal annual evaluations, as it does with its operations contractor. We include a recommendation for the Wisconsin Lottery to evaluate its product information contractor annually.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by Wisconsin Lottery staff in the Department of Revenue. The Department's response follows the appendices.

Respectfully submitted,
JANICE MUELLER
State Auditor

State of Wisconsin
Legislative Audit Bureau
Madison

November 25, 2008

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

At the request of the departments of Commerce and Administration, and in accordance with s. [13.94\(1s\)](#), Wis. Stats., we have completed a financial audit of the State of Wisconsin Petroleum Inspection Fee Revenue Obligations Program for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2008, and June 30, 2007. We express our unqualified audit opinion on the Statement of Changes in Program Assets and related notes.

Under the program, the State has issued revenue obligations, such as bonds and commercial paper, to provide financing for payment of claims under the Petroleum Environmental Cleanup Fund Award (PECFA) program. These revenue obligations are not general obligation debt of the State. Instead, they are to be repaid primarily from the \$0.02 per gallon fee charged to suppliers of petroleum products sold in Wisconsin, which is collected by the Department of Revenue.

During fiscal year (FY) 2007-08, the State collected \$76.6 million in petroleum inspection fees and made \$30.4 million in scheduled debt service payments, including \$20.3 million in principal repayment and \$10.1 million in interest. As of June 30, 2008, a total of \$252.3 million in revenue obligations remained outstanding, to be repaid from future petroleum inspection fees.

Petroleum inspection fees in excess of debt service requirements are deposited to the Petroleum Inspection Fund and are used to pay PECFA claims and for other purposes authorized by the Legislature, including the early redemption of petroleum inspection fee revenue obligations. During FY 2007-08, \$47.0 million in inspection fees was deposited to the Petroleum Inspection Fund while \$16.8 million in PECFA claims was paid from the Fund. The remaining \$30.2 million was used for a variety of purposes, including a \$20.3 million transfer authorized by the Legislature to the Transportation Fund, as well as \$1.0 million in transfers to the General Fund to help meet lapse requirements included in [2007 Wis. Acts 20](#) and [226](#).

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us during our audit by staff of the departments of Commerce, Administration, and Revenue.

Sincerely,
JANICE MUELLER
State Auditor