INSTRUCTIONS
HOME LINE FORM LETTERS

1. Fill out the appropriate letter. If you need help filling out the letter, call HOME Line @ 612-728-5767 in the metro area or 866-866-3546 if you are long distance, and a tenant advocate will be happy to help you.

2. Make sure you sign the letter and date the letter.

3. Make a copy of the letter after you sign and date it. Keep it for your personal file.

4. Send the original request by first class mail (a regular stamp) to the landlord or property owner (whoever you pay rent to or is named on the lease).

5. The letter you filled out gives your landlord a certain number of days to respond. Allow your landlord that amount of time to reply to your request.

6. If the landlord or property owner fails to comply with your request, call HOME Line back and a tenant advocate will discuss other options.
Notification of Retaliatory Conduct

__________________________________________
Landlord
__________________________________________
Street Address
__________________________________________
City, State, Zip

I, ________________________________________, reside at your property located at
(Print tenant’s name)
(Address, city, state, zip)

I am writing to inform you that Minnesota tenants may not be retaliated against for asserting their rights as tenants. Your notice of ________________________________
(type of notice given by landlord, ie. rent increase)
is retaliatory based on my following actions:____________________________________
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Please be informed that Minnesota Statutes § 504B.285, subd. 3, and § 504B.441 provide that a residential tenant may not be evicted, nor may the tenant’s obligations under the lease be increased (such as a rent increase), nor the services decreased if it’s intended to be a penalty for the tenant’s assertion of legal rights under the lease or law.

The landlord has the burden to prove the notice was not retaliatory if it is delivered within 90 days of the tenant’s assertion of rights.

Your notice appears to be retaliatory, which violates Minnesota law. Please rescind the notice within fourteen days.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

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Tenant’s Signature  Date