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of
Equalization
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I, Cory Fong, Tax Commissioner and Secretary of the State Board of Equalization, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the State Board of Equalization for the year 2008.

Dated at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 31st day of December 2008.

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CENTRALLY ASSESSED PROPERTY

ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANIES

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Taxable Value</u>
FPL Energy Burleigh County Wind	\$28,298,500	\$ 509,100
FPL Energy Langdon Wind	68,220,500	1,284,100
FPL Energy North Dakota Wind	24,743,000	864,800
FPL Energy Oliver Wind	33,650,000	683,700
FPL Energy Oliver Wind II	29,282,500	570,700
Montana-Dakota Utilities Company	63,037,000	6,303,700
Moorhead Public Service Department	251,000	25,100
Northern Municipal Power Agency	311,000	31,100
Northwestern Corporation	572,000	57,200
OREG 1, Inc.	1,510,000	151,000
Otter Tail Power Company	53,595,000	5,359,500
Otter Tail Power Co./Langdon Wind Farm	24,375,100	883,600
Rainbow Energy Marketing Corporation	38,400	3,840
Tatanka Wind Farm	41,585,000	1,053,790
Velva Wind Farm	6,787,000	216,000
Xcel Energy	66,533,000	6,653,300

INVESTOR-OWNED TRANSMISSION LINES SUBJECT TO \$300 PER MILE TAX

	<u>Tax Amount</u>
Otter Tail Power Company	\$12,108.00
Xcel Energy	15,450.00

PIPELINE COMPANIES

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Taxable Value</u>
Alliance Pipeline	\$ 194,091,000	\$19,409,100
Amerada Hess incl. Tioga Gas Plant	12,628,500	1,262,850
Archer Daniels Midland	124,500	12,450
Bear Paw Energy LLC	27,606,500	2,760,650
Belle Fourche Pipeline Company	3,979,000	397,900
Bridger Pipeline LLC	2,060,500	206,050
Cenex Pipeline Company	9,819,000	981,900
Enbridge Energy, LP	15,664,000	1,566,400
Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) Inc.	26,000,000	2,600,000
Hiland Partners LLC	2,295,500	229,550
Kaneb Pipeline Operating Partnership L.P.	12,233,000	1,223,300
Kinder Morgan Cochin LLC (fmly. Dome)	5,968,000	596,800
Magellan PipeLine Company LLC	5,255,500	525,550

CENTRALLY ASSESSED PROPERTY

PIPELINE COMPANIES Continued

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Taxable Value</u>
Northern Border Pipeline Company	148,577,500	14,857,750
Petro-Hunt LLC	1,691,000	169,100
Petro-Hunt LLC et al	33,400	3,340
Plains Pipeline LP	30,276,500	3,027,650
Prairielands Energy Marketing, Inc.	34,000	3,400
Roughrider Pipeline Company	207,500	20,750
Tesoro High Plains Company	15,673,000	1,567,300
Viking Gas Transmission Company	55,500	5,550
Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline	32,538,000	3,253,850

CARBON DIOXIDE PIPELINE COMPANIES

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Taxable Value</u>
Dakota Gasification Company	\$18,703,000	\$1,870,300

RAILROAD COMPANIES

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Taxable Value</u>
BNSF Railway	\$171,000,000	\$17,100,000
Dakota, Missouri Valley & Western	8,132,000	813,200
Dakota Northern Railroad	397,000	39,700
Northern Plains Railroad	2,419,500	241,950
Red River Valley & Western Railroad	13,255,500	1,325,550
Soo Line Railroad	31,210,000	3,121,000
Yellowstone Valley Railroad	146,500	14,650

AIR TRANSPORTATION COMPANIES

	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Taxable Value</u>
Allegiant Air LLC	\$ 439,000	\$ 43,900
Federal Express Corporation	619,000	61,900
Great Lakes Aviation Ltd.	137,000	13,700
Northwest Airlines, Inc.	2,945,000	294,500
Northwest Airlines/Mesaba	157,000	15,700
Skywest Airlines	493,000	49,300
United Express	591,000	59,100