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January 11, 2009

The Honorable Jo Oldson Chair, House Appropriations Committee State Capitol Building

LOCAL MAIL

Dear Representative Oldson:

lowa Code § 476.66(6) requires the lowa Utilities Board to submit an annual report to you on the status of utility customer contribution funds. These funds were created to accept voluntary contributions from utility customers to supplement federal weatherization and energy assistance funds to low-income households.

Legislation requiring all natural gas and electric utilities to establish customer contribution funds was adopted in 1988 and implementation began in 1989. Annual reports summarizing each fund's activities from July 1 through June 30 are filed with us each year by September 30. The attached report summarizes those submissions for last year.

If we can provide any further information, please contact Joan Conrad, our legislative liaison, at 515.229.4771.

Sincerely,

Rob Berntsen Chair

cc:

Mark Brandsgard, Chief Clerk of the House House Appropriations Committee Members Attachment: Customer Contribution Fund Annual Report

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CUSTOMER CONTRIBUTION FUND ANNUAL REPORT For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009

	INVESTOR-OWNED	MUNICIPAL	RURAL ELEC.	
	UTILITIES	UTILITIES	COOPERATIVES	TOTAL
CONTRIBUTIONS:				
Number of Customers Contributing	13,787	1,600	1,620	17,007
Customer Contributions Collected	\$492,452	\$93,714	\$55,099	\$641,265
Matching Contributions Collected	\$581,458	\$10,870	\$0	\$592,328
Total Contributions Collected	\$1,073,910	\$104,584	\$54,899	\$1,233,393
Reimbursable Expenses (FN-1)	\$0	\$1,487	\$43	\$1,530
NET CONTRIBUTIONS	\$1,073,910	\$103,098	\$54,856	\$1,231,864
EXPENSES:				
Advertising	\$4,248	\$10,005	\$2,629	\$16,882
Admin. & General Salaries	\$14,126	\$3,485	\$1,829	\$19,439
Office Supplies & Expenses	\$0	\$3,261	\$271	\$3,531
Supervision - Labor & Expenses	\$0	\$3,168	\$1,178	\$4,346
Customer Records and Collections:				
Mailing	\$0	\$1,389	\$366	\$1,755
Printing	\$60	\$3,131	\$1,359	\$4,550
Publication	\$168	\$2,221	\$147	\$2,536
Total Expenses	\$18,602	\$26,658	\$7,780	\$53,040
Reimbursable Expenses	\$0	\$1,479	\$43	\$1,522
NET EXPENSES	\$18,602	\$25,179	\$7,737	\$51,518
FUND DISTRIBUTION:				
Weatherization Program	\$54,419	\$21,615	\$929	\$76,963
Heating Assistance Payments	\$697,437	\$44,278	\$30,481	\$772,196
Other Programs	\$4,861	\$19,151	\$13,330	\$37,342
TOTAL FUNDS DISTRIBUTED	\$756,718	\$85,044	\$44,740	\$886,501
Estimated Number of Families Assisted	3,462	677	315	4,454
Average Amount	\$219	\$126	\$142	\$199
NOTES TO THE REPORT: FN-1: Each utility is allowed to keep 5 pe	proont of appual contribut	tions to defroy oper		