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To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find a copy of the "Report on Minnesota Manufactured Housing Relocation Trust Fund Activity, July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008 (FY 2008)" submitted by the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency pursuant to Minn. Stat. §327C.095, Subd. 13 (h).

Please contact Tonja M. Orr, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Housing, at 651 296-9820 or Tonja.Orr@state.mn.us if you have questions about this report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tonja M. Orr".

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**REPORT ON MINNESOTA MANUFACTURED HOUSING RELOCATION TRUST FUND
ACTIVITY
JULY 1, 2007 –JUNE 30, 2008 (FY 2008)**

Minn. Stat. § 327C.095, Subd. 13 (h) requires the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency to submit a report on the Minnesota Manufactured Housing Relocation Trust Fund by January 15 of each year.

The Minnesota Manufactured Housing Relocation Trust Fund (Trust Fund) was established by Laws of Minnesota 2007, Chapter 141. This Act requires owners of manufactured homes who rent lots in a manufactured housing park to make annual payments of \$12 to be deposited into the Trust Fund. Payments are collected by the manufactured housing park owner and forwarded to the Commissioner of Management and Budget. Information about each housing owner who remitted payment, as well as those who declined to make payment, must be submitted by the park owner to the Commissioner of Management and Budget with a copy to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. (Minn. Stat. § 327C.095, Subd. 12(c))

The Act requires park owners to make payments to the Trust Fund when a manufactured housing park is being closed or the land will no longer be used as a manufactured housing park. The Act sets caps on the amount paid by the park owner depending on whether a home will be moved or abandoned (Minn. Stat. § 327C.095, Subd. 12 (a)). The municipality in which the closing manufactured home park is located is required to appoint a neutral third party to resolve questions or disputes regarding contributions to and disbursements from the Trust Fund (Minn. Stat. § 327C.095, Subd. 4). Based on the neutral third party's decisions, the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency is charged with making payments out of the Trust Fund to home owners, moving and towing contractors and others.

The following is a summary of the Trust Fund receipts and disbursements for Fiscal Year 2008. There was a 12% increase in the number of parks reporting and a slight (nearly 2%) increase in the portion of residents making payments to the Trust Fund compared to the previous year.

FY 2008 Manufactured Housing Relocation
Trust Fund Activity Report

FY 2008 MANUFACTURED HOUSING RELOCATION TRUST FUND ACTIVITY

Number of Homeowners Making Annual Payment in FY 2008	14,582
Total Payments Received from Homeowners in FY 2008	\$175,144
Total Number of Parks Reporting	435
Percentage of Residents in Parks Reporting Who Paid the Annual Fee	48.89%
Number of Claims (applications) Filed	2
Number of Parks Closed with Residents Making Claims on the Fund	2
Payments to Claimants	\$5,138.13
Amount of Advances to the Trust Fund	\$0
Balance in Trust Fund	\$179,887.00

Please note that the report submitted in January, 2008 provided calendar year 2007 information since it was the first year of reporting. Subsequent reports will be on a fiscal year basis.

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