

Form **990**

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**  
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2018**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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**A For the 2018 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable:  <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization LAKE COUNTRY POWER Doing business as Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 2810 ELIDA DRIVE City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code GRAND RAPIDS, MN 55744 <b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: GREGORY RANDA SAME AS C ABOVE	<b>D</b> Employer identification number ** - *** 7633 <b>E</b> Telephone number (218) 742-5748 <b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ 94,598,673. <b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions) <b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number ▶
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( 12 ) ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		
<b>J</b> Website: ▶ WWW.LAKECOUNTRYPOWER.COOP		
<b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		<b>L</b> Year of formation: 1996 <b>M</b> State of legal domicile: MN

**Part I Summary**

<b>1</b>	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>TO PROVIDE ELECTRICITY AND OTHER SERVICES TO THE COOPERATIVE'S MEMBERS.</b>		
<b>2</b>	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
<b>3</b>	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	<b>3</b>	9
<b>4</b>	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	<b>4</b>	7
<b>5</b>	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2018 (Part V, line 2a)	<b>5</b>	151
<b>6</b>	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>	0
<b>7a</b>	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	<b>7a</b>	24,448.
<b>7b</b>	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 38	<b>7b</b>	26,529.
<b>8</b>	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
<b>9</b>	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	0.	0.
<b>10</b>	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	89,986,724.	91,384,228.
<b>11</b>	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	548,924.	312,878.
<b>12</b>	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	3,022,708.	2,355,357.
<b>13</b>	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	93,558,356.	94,052,463.
<b>14</b>	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0.	28,019.
<b>15</b>	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	6,952,607.	6,694,570.
<b>16a</b>	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	681,707.	725,534.
<b>16b</b>	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0.	0.	0.
<b>17</b>	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	85,890,876.	86,602,814.
<b>18</b>	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	93,525,190.	94,050,937.
<b>19</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	33,166.	1,526.
<b>20</b>	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
<b>21</b>	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	296,269,702.	315,105,128.
<b>22</b>	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	189,009,575.	203,967,311.
<b>22</b>		107,260,127.	111,137,817.

**Part II Signature Block**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer GREGORY RANDA, GENERAL MANAGER Type or print name and title	Date			
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name DAVID HOLT	Preparer's signature DAVID HOLT	Date 10/29/19	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	PTIN P00014251
	Firm's name ▶ BRADY, MARTZ AND ASSOCIATES, P.C. Firm's address ▶ P.O. BOX 14296 GRAND FORKS, ND 58208-4296	Firm's EIN ▶ ** - *** 0328	Phone no. 701-775-4685		

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)  Yes  No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III [ ]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: STRIVE TO EXCEED THE EXPECTATIONS OF OUR MEMBERS BY PROVIDING SAFE, RELIABLE AND AFFORDABLE ELECTRIC SERVICE. INVEST IN INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS THAT DEMONSTRATE VALUE, COMMITMENT TO OUR MEMBERS AND THE AREA WE SERVE.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [ ] Yes [X] No If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [ ] Yes [X] No If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ ) PROVISION OF ELECTRICITY AND OTHER SERVICES TO THE COOPERATIVE'S 43,100 MEMBERS.

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 21 regarding organizational requirements and reporting.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 22 through 38 regarding grants, compensation, tax-exempt bonds, excess benefits, and Schedule O completion.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V [ ]

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1a, 1b, and 1c regarding Form 1096, Forms W-2G, and backup withholding rules.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No columns. Includes questions 2a through 16 regarding employee counts, tax returns, unrelated business income, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable contributions.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year; 1b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent; 2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?; 3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?; 4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?; 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?; 6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?; 7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?; 7b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?; 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: a The governing body? b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?; 9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O.

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?; 10b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?; 11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?; 11b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.; 12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13; 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?; 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done; 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?; 14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?; 15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?; 15a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official; 15b Other officers or key employees of the organization; 16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?; 16b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed NONE
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. [ ] Own website [ ] Another's website [X] Upon request [ ] Other (explain in Schedule O)
19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records MARK BAKK, CPA - 218-742-5748 8535 PARK RIDGE DRIVE, MOUNTAIN IRON, MN 55768

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

**1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) GEORGE HARVEY SECRETARY	4.89	X					12,700.	0.	0.	
(2) ROBERT BRUCKBAUER DIRECTOR	10.50	X					9,750.	0.	0.	
(3) SHERMAN LIIMATAINEN VICE PRESIDENT	3.08	X					14,850.	0.	0.	
(4) CRAIG OLSON PRESIDENT	10.06	X					17,850.	0.	0.	
(5) CRAIG CARLSON TREASURER	3.84	X					15,450.	0.	0.	
(6) MICHAEL FORSMAN DIRECTOR	10.23	X					15,750.	0.	0.	
(7) JAMES HUHTA DIRECTOR	8.03	X					13,350.	0.	0.	
(8) DANIEL KINGSLEY DIRECTOR	7.99	X					18,900.	0.	0.	
(9) JASON LONG DIRECTOR	5.10	X					14,250.	0.	0.	
(10) GREGORY RANDA GENERAL MANAGER	50.00			X			285,359.	0.	82,392.	
(11) MARK BAKK DIRECTOR OF FINANCE	50.00			X			179,942.	0.	30,410.	
(12) MARK POHTO CREW CHIEF	52.60				X		147,968.	0.	60,421.	
(13) WILLIAM BUSSEY DIRECTOR OF SAFETY & RISK	50.00				X		157,930.	0.	59,994.	
(14) DEREK HOWE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING	50.00				X		159,507.	0.	54,427.	
(15) MICHAEL BIRKELAND DIRECTOR OF MEMBER SVCS/PU	50.00				X		158,053.	0.	71,981.	
(16) TODD JOHNSON DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS	50.00				X		147,244.	0.	103,921.	





**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

				(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
				Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1 a</b> Federated campaigns .....	<b>1a</b>						
	<b>b</b> Membership dues .....	<b>1b</b>						
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events .....	<b>1c</b>						
	<b>d</b> Related organizations .....	<b>1d</b>						
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions) .....	<b>1e</b>						
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above .....	<b>1f</b>						
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$ .....							
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f .....							
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2 a</b> <u>PROG. SERV. REVENUE-RELATED-990</u> .....	<b>Business Code</b>	221000	91,384,228.	91,384,228.			
	<b>b</b> .....							
	<b>c</b> .....							
	<b>d</b> .....							
	<b>e</b> .....							
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue .....							
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f .....				91,384,228.			
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) .....			317,319.			317,319.	
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds .....							
	<b>5</b> Royalties .....							
	<b>6 a</b> Gross rents .....	(i) Real	(ii) Personal					
		<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses .....						
		<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss) .....						
		<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) .....						
	<b>7 a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory .....	(i) Securities	(ii) Other					
		<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses .....		66,454.				
		<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) .....		70,895.				
		<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) .....		-4,441.				
	<b>8 a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 .....	<b>a</b>						
		<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....	<b>b</b>					
		<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events .....						
	<b>9 a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 .....	<b>a</b>						
<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....		<b>b</b>						
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities .....								
<b>10 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances .....	<b>a</b>		420,525.					
	<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold .....	<b>b</b>	475,315.					
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory .....			-54,790.	-54,790.			
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>		<b>Business Code</b>						
<b>11 a</b> CAPITAL CREDITS .....		900099	2,388,778.	2,388,778.				
<b>b</b> NCB, LLC K-1 .....		517000	24,448.		24,448.			
<b>c</b> OTHER NON-OPERATING INCOME .....		900099	-3,079.	-3,079.				
<b>d</b> All other revenue .....								
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d .....				2,410,147.				
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions .....				94,052,463.	93,715,137.	24,448.	312,878.	

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX  X

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	28,019.			
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members	6,694,570.			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	725,534.			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages				
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	81,461.			
c Accounting				
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)				
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses				
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel				
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest	6,223,051.			
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	9,466,495.			
23 Insurance				
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a <b>COST OF POWER</b>	47,555,862.			
b <b>DIST EXP - MAINTENANCE</b>	9,106,661.			
c <b>ADMIN &amp; GENERAL EXPENSE</b>	5,137,548.			
d <b>DIST EXP - OPERATIONS</b>	4,602,655.			
e All other expenses	4,429,081.			
25 <b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	94,050,937.			
26 <b>Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

Check here  if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)

**Part X Balance Sheet**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash - non-interest-bearing .....	5,093,388.	<b>1</b>	7,079,621.
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments .....		<b>2</b>	
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net .....		<b>3</b>	
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net .....	10,607,421.	<b>4</b>	10,436,359.
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L .....		<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instr). Complete Part II of Sch L .....		<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net .....		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use .....	4,635,181.	<b>8</b>	4,546,974.
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges .....	1,738,960.	<b>9</b>	2,069,757.
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D .....	<b>10a</b> 348,907,731.		
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation .....	<b>10b</b> 110,939,243.	222,715,324.	<b>10c</b> 237,968,488.
	<b>11</b> Investments - publicly traded securities .....		<b>11</b>	
	<b>12</b> Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11 .....	5,547,680.	<b>12</b>	5,606,594.
	<b>13</b> Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 .....	45,931,748.	<b>13</b>	47,397,335.
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets .....		<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>15</b>	
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) .....	296,269,702.	<b>16</b>	315,105,128.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	16,559,612.	<b>17</b>	15,389,249.
	<b>18</b> Grants payable .....		<b>18</b>	
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue .....	8,716.	<b>19</b>	2,030,288.
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities .....		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D .....	15,978.	<b>21</b>	16,258.
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L .....		<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties .....	171,669,028.	<b>23</b>	185,751,125.
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D .....	756,241.	<b>25</b>	780,391.
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 .....	189,009,575.	<b>26</b>	203,967,311.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Unrestricted net assets .....		<b>27</b>	
	<b>28</b> Temporarily restricted net assets .....		<b>28</b>	
	<b>29</b> Permanently restricted net assets .....		<b>29</b>	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	<b>30</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds .....	0.	<b>30</b>	0.
	<b>31</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund .....	0.	<b>31</b>	0.
	<b>32</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds .....	107,260,127.	<b>32</b>	111,137,817.
<b>33</b> Total net assets or fund balances .....	107,260,127.	<b>33</b>	111,137,817.	
<b>34</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances .....	296,269,702.	<b>34</b>	315,105,128.	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	94,052,463.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	94,050,937.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	1,526.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	107,260,127.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	3,876,164.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	111,137,817.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? _____ If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		X
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? _____ If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	X	
c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? _____ If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	X	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? _____		X
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits _____		

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**SCHEDULE D**  
**(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year .....		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year) .....		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year) .....		
4 Aggregate value at end of year .....		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? .....		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? .....		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**Part II Conservation Easements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)       Preservation of a historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat       Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements .....	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements .....	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a) .....	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register .....	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? .....

Yes  No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? .....

Yes  No

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 .....

▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X .....

▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 .....

▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X .....

▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets** (continued)

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

- a  Public exhibition
- b  Scholarly research
- c  Preservation for future generations
- d  Loan or exchange programs
- e  Other \_\_\_\_\_

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?  Yes  No

**Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1c
d Additions during the year	1d
e Distributions during the year	1e
f Ending balance	1f

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?  Yes  No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

**Part V Endowment Funds.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %
- b Permanent endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %
- c Temporarily restricted endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations	3a(i)	
(ii) related organizations	3a(ii)	
b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	3b	

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		2,701,206.		2,701,206.
b Buildings		12,154,412.	4,352,639.	7,801,773.
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		20,805,700.	14,146,425.	6,659,275.
e Other		313,246,413.	92,440,179.	220,806,234.
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				237,968,488.

**Part VII Investments - Other Securities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.)		

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) GREAT RIVER ENERGY - PATR		
(2) CAP	38,945,645.	COST
(3) NRUCFC - CAPITAL TERM		
(4) CERTS	2,314,617.	COST
(5) NRTC - PATRONAGE CAPITAL	1,299,260.	COST
(6) NRUCFC - PATRONAGE		
(7) CAPITAL	847,372.	COST
(8) RESCO - PATRONAGE CAPITAL	636,021.	COST
(9)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.)	47,397,335.	

**Part IX Other Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.)	

**Part X Other Liabilities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) CUST DEPOSITS - REFUNDABLE	780,391.
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.)	780,391.

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

**Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>2a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants	<b>2c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>	
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b>		<b>2e</b>
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b>		<b>4c</b>
<b>5</b>	Total revenue. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		<b>5</b>

**Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Other losses	<b>2c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>	
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b>		<b>2e</b>
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b>		<b>4c</b>
<b>5</b>	Total expenses. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		<b>5</b>

**Part XIII Supplemental Information.**

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

**PART IV, LINE 2B:**

THE MEMBERS OF THE COOPERATIVE CAN ELECT TO ROUND UP THEIR MONTHLY ELECTRIC BILL TO THE NEXT DOLLAR. THESE FUNDS COLLECTED FROM THE MEMBERSHIP ARE HELD IN A COOPERATIVE ACCOUNT UNTIL THEY ARE RELEASED TO THE LAKE COUNTRY POWER ELECTRIC TRUST. THESE FUNDS ARE TRANSFERRED DIRECTLY TO THE TRUST ON A MONTHLY BASIS. FUNDS THAT EXIST AT THE END OF THE YEAR ARE A RESULT OF A TIMING DIFFERENCE IN THE RECEIPT OF THE FUNDS AND THE RELEASE OF THEM TO THE TRUST. FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018, THE ACCOUNT HELD \$16,258.

**PART X, LINE 2:**

THE COMPANY'S POLICY IS TO EVALUATE THE LIKELIHOOD THAT ITS UNCERTAIN TAX



**Part XIII** Supplemental Information (continued)

POSITIONS WILL PREVAIL UPON EXAMINATION BASED ON THE EXTENT TO WHICH THOSE  
POSITIONS HAVE SUBSTANTIAL SUPPORT WITHIN THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND  
REGULATIONS, REVENUE RULINGS, COURT DECISIONS, AND OTHER EVIDENCE.

IT IS THE OPINION OF MANAGEMENT THAT THE COOPERATIVE HAS NO SIGNIFICANT  
UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS THAT WOULD BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE UPON EXAMINATION.  
THE FEDERAL INCOME TAX RETURNS OF THE COMPANY ARE SUBJECT TO EXAMINATION  
BY THE IRS, GENERALLY FOR THREE YEARS AFTER THEY WERE FILED.



**SCHEDULE I  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,  
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.  
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**Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance**

- 1** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?  Yes  No
- 2** Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

**Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

<b>1 (a)</b> Name and address of organization or government	<b>(b)</b> EIN	<b>(c)</b> IRC section (if applicable)	<b>(d)</b> Amount of cash grant	<b>(e)</b> Amount of non-cash assistance	<b>(f)</b> Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	<b>(g)</b> Description of noncash assistance	<b>(h)</b> Purpose of grant or assistance
UNITED WAY OF NORTHEASTERN MINNESOTA INC - 229 W LAKE ST - CHISHOLM, MN 55719	** - ***8454	501(C)(3)	7,000.	0.			PROGRAM ASSISTANCE

**2** Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table 1.

**3** Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table 0.

**Part III** Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.  
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance

**Part IV** Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

PART I, LINE 2:

THE COOPERATIVE DOES NOT PLACE ANY REQUIREMENTS ON HOW THESE ASSISTANCE FUNDS ARE TO BE USED. AS SUCH, THE COOPERATIVE DOES NOT HAVE PROCEDURES IN PLACE FOR MONITORING THE USE OF GRANT OR ASSISTANCE FUNDS.

**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Compensation Information**

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees  
 ▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.  
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**LAKE COUNTRY POWER**

Employer identification number

**\*\* - \*\*\* 7633**

**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

- 1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.
- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel             | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef) |
- b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain .....
- 2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a? .....
- 3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.
- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |
- 4** During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:
- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? .....
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? .....
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? .....
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.
- Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**
- 5** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:
- a** The organization? .....
- b** Any related organization? .....
- If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.
- 6** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:
- a** The organization? .....
- b** Any related organization? .....
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.
- 7** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....
- 8** Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....
- 9** If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)? .....

	Yes	No
<b>1b</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>4a</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>4b</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>4c</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>5a</b>		
<b>5b</b>		
<b>6a</b>		
<b>6b</b>		
<b>7</b>		
<b>8</b>		
<b>9</b>		

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2018

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note:** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) GREGORY RANDA GENERAL MANAGER	(i)	285,359.	0.	0.	68,353.	16,078.	369,790.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(2) MARK BAKK DIRECTOR OF FINANCE	(i)	179,942.	0.	0.	30,410.	1,583.	211,935.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(3) MARK POHTO CREW CHIEF	(i)	147,968.	0.	0.	46,382.	14,938.	209,288.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(4) WILLIAM BUSSEY DIRECTOR OF SAFETY & RISK	(i)	157,930.	0.	0.	40,999.	20,470.	219,399.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(5) DEREK HOWE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING	(i)	159,507.	0.	0.	35,432.	20,505.	215,444.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(6) MICHAEL BIRKELAND DIRECTOR OF MEMBER SVCS/PU	(i)	158,053.	0.	0.	52,986.	20,501.	231,540.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(7) TODD JOHNSON DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS	(i)	147,244.	0.	0.	84,927.	20,406.	252,577.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
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**Part III** Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

FORM 990, SCHEDULE J, PART II, COLUMN (C)  
INCLUDED IN SCHEDULE J, PART II, COLUMN "C", DEFERRED COMPENSATION, IS  
THE ESTIMATED ANNUAL INCREASE IN THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF THE DEFINED  
BENEFIT PLAN. FOR THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS, THE ESTIMATED INCREASE  
IS:

GREGORY RANDA: \$62,746

MARK BAKK: \$28,880

DEREK HOWE: \$32,161

WILLIAM BUSSEY: \$37,854

TODD JOHNSON: \$82,019

MICHAEL BIRKELAND: \$49,732

MARK POHTO: \$44,515

THESE AMOUNTS ARE ESTIMATES IN THE INCREASE OF THE VALUE OF THE PLAN  
AND ARE NOT CURRENT YEAR EXPENSES OF THE COOPERATIVE.

CURRENT YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS INTO THE DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN WERE:

GREGORY RANDA: \$61,722

MARK BAKK: \$38,862

**Part III** Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

DEREK HOWE: \$36,005

WILLIAM BUSSEY \$34,618

TODD JOHNSON : \$32,004

MICHAEL BIRKELAND: \$35,816

MARK POHTO: \$20,104





**Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
GREAT RIVER ENERGY	DALE J. LONG REPRESENTS	47,635,566.	PURCHASE OF		X
GREAT RIVER ENERGY	ROBERT BRUCKBAUER REPRESENTS	47,635,566.	PURCHASE OF		X

**Part V Supplemental Information.**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions).

SCH L, PART IV, BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING INTERESTED PERSONS:

(A) NAME OF PERSON: GREAT RIVER ENERGY

(B) RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INTERESTED PERSON AND ORGANIZATION:

DALE J. LONG REPRESENTS THE COOP. ON THE GREAT RIVER ENERGY BOARD

(C) AMOUNT OF TRANSACTION \$ 47,635,566.

(D) DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION: PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY FROM THE ORGANIZATION'S POWER SUPPLIER

(E) SHARING OF ORGANIZATION REVENUES? = NO

(A) NAME OF PERSON: GREAT RIVER ENERGY

(B) RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INTERESTED PERSON AND ORGANIZATION:

ROBERT BRUCKBAUER REPRESENTS THE COOP. ON THE GREAT RIVER ENERGY BOARD

(C) AMOUNT OF TRANSACTION \$ 47,635,566.

(D) DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION: PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY FROM THE ORGANIZATION'S POWER SUPPLIER

(E) SHARING OF ORGANIZATION REVENUES? = NO

**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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**2018**

Open to Public  
Inspection

Name of the organization

LAKE COUNTRY POWER

Employer identification number

\*\* - \*\*\*7633

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6:

THE COOPERATIVE HAS ONE CLASS OF MEMBERS. ALL ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS BECOME MEMBERS WHEN THEIR ELECTRIC SERVICE IS ESTABLISHED. MEMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ELECTING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, RECEIVE ALLOCATIONS OF THE COOPERATIVE'S NET INCOME, AND MAY AMEND THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BY-LAWS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A:

THE MEMBERS OF THE COOPERATIVE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ELECTING REPRESENTATIVES TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE COOPERATIVE'S SERVICE TERRITORY IS DIVIDED INTO NINE DISTRICTS AND EACH DISTRICT HAS ONE REPRESENTATIVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7B:

THE MEMBERS MAY ALTER, AMEND, OR REPEAL THE BY-LAWS OF THE COOPERATIVE.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B:

EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL RECEIVE A COPY OF THE FORM 990 PRIOR TO FILING OF THE RETURN. THE BOARD WILL REVIEW AND APPROVE THE FILING OF THE RETURN. IN ADDITION, MANAGEMENT WILL PERFORM A DETAILED REVIEW OF THE RETURN IN ADVANCE OF ITS FILING.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

THE COOPERATIVE'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY APPLIES TO DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, AND OTHER SENIOR MANAGEMENT. DIRECTORS COMPLETE CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS ANNUALLY AT THE TIME OF THE BOARD

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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) (2018)

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Name of the organization <b>LAKE COUNTRY POWER</b>	Employer identification number <b>** - ***7633</b>
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REORGANIZATION. OFFICERS AND OTHER SENIOR MANAGEMENT COMPLETE A "CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE STATEMENT" UPON HIRING. STATEMENTS ARE REVIEWED BY HUMAN RESOURCES AT THAT TIME. SHOULD A CONFLICT ARISE AFTER HIRING, THE DIRECTOR, OFFICER, OR OTHER SENIOR MANAGEMENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DISCLOSING THE CONFLICT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE EXTENT AND NATURE OF ANY ACTUAL OR APPARENT CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND DECIDE WHAT ACTION IS TO BE TAKEN WITH RESPECT TO THE CONFLICT. ACTIONS AVAILABLE AT THE BOARD'S DISCRETION INCLUDE REQUIRING DIVESTITURE OF PROPERTY, IMPOSING CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS, OR REQUIRING RESIGNATION OF THE DIRECTOR, OFFICER, OR EMPLOYEE.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15:

THE SALARY OF THE CEO/GENERAL MANAGER IS APPROVED ANNUALLY BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THIS WAS LAST PERFORMED IN 2018. WAGE RATES FOR UNION EMPLOYEES ARE DETERMINED THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS, WITH THE FINAL CONTRACT BEING APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE COOPERATIVE HAS A RATIFIED UNION CONTRACT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2021. NON-UNION EMPLOYEES ARE REVIEWED ANNUALLY THROUGH A PROCESS THAT INCLUDES AN EVALUATION OF JOB PERFORMANCE, AN ANNUAL EMPLOYEE APPRAISAL, AND AN APPROVED RANGE OF WAGE INCREASES BASED ON A POLICY APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THIS PROCESS WAS LAST COMPLETED IN 2018.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

THE COOPERATIVE MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. FINANCIAL STATEMENT INFORMATION IS INCLUDED IN THE COOPERATIVE'S ANNUAL REPORT.

FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 4

Name of the organization

LAKE COUNTRY POWER

Employer identification number

\*\* - \*\*\*7633

PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS PAID: AS REQUIRED BY FORM 990 INSTRUCTIONS, FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 4 (BENEFITS PAID TO OR FOR MEMBERS) INCLUDES PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS PAID. THIS AMOUNT IS AN EXPENSE FOR PURPOSES OF FORM 990, BUT IS NOT RECOGNIZED AS AN EXPENSE UNDER G.A.A.P. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, WHICH ARE USED FOR BOOK INCOME. THE RESULT IS A BOOK TO TAX DIFFERENCE WHICH IS DISCLOSED ON PART XI.

IN REFERENCE TO PART IX, LINE 4, THE COOPERATIVE HAS INTERPRETED "PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS PAID" AS CAPITAL CREDITS ALLOCATED TO MEMBERS UNDER THE PREEXISTING OBLIGATIONS PURSUANT TO THE BYLAWS OF THE COOPERATIVE.

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9, CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:

BOOK TO TAX DIFFERENCE FROM TAXABLE	518,219.
RETIREMENT OF CAPITAL CREDITS	-4,166,327.
ALLOCATED CAPITAL CREDITS	6,694,570.
DONATED CAPITAL	395,475.
RETIRED CAPITAL CREDITS GAIN	435,753.
BOOK TO TAX DIFFERENCE FROM K-1	-1,526.
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9	3,876,164.

**Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships**

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.  
▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

Name of the organization **LAKE COUNTRY POWER** Employer identification number **\*\* - \*\*\* 7633**

**Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity

**Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
LAKE COUNTRY POWER ELECTRIC TRUST - 20-6179494, 2810 ELIDA DRIVE, GRAND RAPIDS, MN 55744	COMMUNITY TRUST	MINNESOTA	501(C)(3)	11B	LAKE COUNTRY POWER	X	

**Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	

**Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No
LAKE COUNTRY POWER HOLDINGS, INC. - 41-1977064, 2810 ELIDA DRIVE, GRAND RAPIDS, MN 55744	HOLDING COMPANY	MN	LAKE COUNTRY POWER	C CORP	518,219.	5,742,113.	100.00%	X	
LAKE STATES TREE SERVICE, INC. - 41-0810558 25172 COMMERCIAL DRIVE GRAND RAPIDS, MN 55744	TREE TRIMMING	MN	LAKE COUNTRY POWER HOLDINGS, INC.	C CORP	-168,356.	1,683,611.	100.00%	X	
LAKE STATES CONSTRUCTION, INC. - 41-1367401 25172 COMMERCIAL DRIVE GRAND RAPIDS, MN 55744	CONSTRUCTION OF ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS	MN	LAKE COUNTRY POWER HOLDINGS, INC.	C CORP	684,575.	2,715,483.	100.00%	X	

**Part V Transactions With Related Organizations.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

**Note:** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?		
<b>a</b> Receipt of <b>(i)</b> interest, <b>(ii)</b> annuities, <b>(iii)</b> royalties, or <b>(iv)</b> rent from a controlled entity .....		X
<b>b</b> Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s) .....		X
<b>c</b> Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s) .....		X
<b>d</b> Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s) .....		X
<b>e</b> Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s) .....		X
<b>f</b> Dividends from related organization(s) .....		X
<b>g</b> Sale of assets to related organization(s) .....		X
<b>h</b> Purchase of assets from related organization(s) .....		X
<b>i</b> Exchange of assets with related organization(s) .....		X
<b>j</b> Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s) .....		X
<b>k</b> Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s) .....		X
<b>l</b> Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s) .....		X
<b>m</b> Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s) .....	X	
<b>n</b> Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s) .....		X
<b>o</b> Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s) .....		X
<b>p</b> Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses .....		X
<b>q</b> Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses .....		X
<b>r</b> Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s) .....	X	
<b>s</b> Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s) .....		X

**2** If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) LAKE STATES TREE SERVICE, INC.	M	3,097,916.	TOTAL PAID TO LSTS
(2) LAKE STATES CONSTRUCTION, INC.	M	3,067,373.	TOTAL PAID TO LSC
(3) LAKE COUNTRY POWER ELECTRIC TRUST	R	190,590.	CASH TRANSFERRED
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			





**Part VII** Supplemental Information.

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. See instructions.

Multiple horizontal lines for supplemental information.

Form **990-W**  
(Worksheet)

**Estimated Tax on Unrelated Business Taxable  
Income for Tax-Exempt Organizations**

OMB No. 1545-0976

(and on Investment Income for Private Foundations) FORM 990-T

**2019**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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▶ Keep for your records. Do not send to the Internal Revenue Service.

1	Unrelated business taxable income expected in the tax year .....	1	
2	Tax on the amount on line 1. See instructions for tax computation .....	2	
3	Alternative minimum tax for trusts. See instructions .....	3	
4	Total. Add lines 2 and 3 .....	4	
5	Estimated tax credits. See instructions .....	5	
6	Subtract line 5 from line 4 .....	6	
7	Other taxes. See instructions .....	7	
8	Total. Add lines 6 and 7 .....	8	
9	Credit for federal tax paid on fuels. See instructions .....	9	
10a	Subtract line 9 from line 8. <b>Note:</b> If less than \$500, the organization is not required to make estimated tax payments. Private foundations, see instructions .....	10a	
b	Enter the tax shown on the 2018 return. See instructions. <b>Caution:</b> If zero or the tax year was for less than 12 months, skip this line and enter the amount from line 10a on line 10c .....	10b	5,571.
c	<b>2019 Estimated Tax.</b> Enter the smaller of line 10a or line 10b. If the organization is required to skip line 10b, enter the amount from line 10a on line 10c .....	10c	5,600.

		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
11	Installment due dates. See instructions .....	11	04/15/19	06/17/19	09/16/19	12/16/19
12	Required installments. Enter 25% of line 10c in columns (a) through (d). But see instructions if the organization uses the annualized income installment method, the adjusted seasonal installment method, or is a "large organization." .....	12	1,400.	1,400.	1,400.	1,400.
13	2018 Overpayment. See instructions .....	13				
14	Payment due (Subtract line 13 from line 12) .....	14				

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Form **990-W** (2019)

ESTIMATED TAX 5,600.  
OVERPAYMENT APPLIED 20,989.  
AMOUNT DUE 0.