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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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In re:	
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Bankruptcy Case No. 03-12872 (KJC)

NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION,

Reorganized Debtor.

FINAL REPORT OF THE REORGANIZED DEBTOR

In accordance with Rule 5009-1(e) of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Local Rules"), NorthWestern Corporation, the reorganized debtor ("NorthWestern" or the "Reorganized Debtor"), hereby submits this final report concerning the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the "Case") in support of the Motion of NorthWestern Corporation for an Order Entering a Final Decree Closing the Chapter 11 Case and Granting Certain Related Relief, Pursuant to Sections 105, 350 and 554 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules 3022, 6004(h) and 7062 and Local Rules 2002 and 5009 (the "Motion"). The following information is true and correct, to the best of the Reorganized Debtor's knowledge, information and belief:

Fees and Expenses

1. From September 14, 2003, the date on which NorthWestern filed the Case (the "Petition Date"), through and including November 1, 2004 (the "Effective Date"), NorthWestern paid \$20,644,367 in fees and expenses to the retained professionals that provided services to the Debtor. The chart below includes a list of the professionals who were retained

¹ This report does not include payments that may have been made by NorthWestern to ordinary course professionals employed by NorthWestern during the Case.



by the Debtor prior to the Effective Date and the total amount of fees and expenses incurred by each professional.

Debtors' Professionals	Total Fees and Expenses
Alvarez & Marsal Inc	\$ 1,987,219
Greenburg Traurig LLP	1,181,851
Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC	1,883,382
Lazard Ltd	8,269,809
Paul Hastings LLP	7,322,106
TOTAL	\$20,644,367

- 2. No trustee or examiner was appointed in the Case. Accordingly, no fees were incurred by a trustee, examiner or counsel to a trustee or examiner.
- 3. To date, the Debtor and Reorganized Debtor have paid quarterly fees due under 28 U.S.C. § 1930 totaling \$660,250 to the Office of the United States Trustee Region 3 (the "United States Trustee"). NorthWestern will pay any remaining fees owed to the United States Trustee through the date of entry of a final decree after entry of such order by the date set forth in such order.

Distributions

4. On August 18, 2004, NorthWestern filed the *Debtor's Second Amended* and Restated Plan of Reorganization Under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code [Docket No. 2020] (the "Plan"). The Bankruptcy Court confirmed the Plan by order entered October 19, 2004 [Docket No. 2238] (the "Confirmation Order"). The Confirmation Order was affirmed on appeal by the United Stated District Court for the District of Delaware on September 29, 2006. The Plan went effective on November 1, 2004. The distributions made under the Plan are listed below.³

² All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Plan.
³ The information provided in the following table is intended only as a summary description of the distributions required by, and made under, the Plan. Any conflict between this summary and the Plan shall not be construed as a

Class	Type of Claim	Distribution
1	Priority Claims	Paid in full in cash.
2	Unsecured Priority Claims	Paid in full in cash.
3	Bank One DIP Financing Claims	Full amount of Allowed Bank One
		DIP Financing Claim.
4	CSFB Financing Claims	Reinstated in full.
5	Secured Bondholder Claims	Reinstated in full.
6	Other Secured Claims	Reinstated in full.
7	Unsecured Note Claims	Pro rata share of 92% of New
		Common Stock shared pro rata
		between and among claimants in
		Class 7 and Class 9.
8	Unsecured Subordinated Note Claims	TOPrS Notes claims received pro rata
	8(a) – TOPrs Notes	share of 6.6% of New Common Stock
	8(b) – QUIPS Notes	plus Warrants exercisable for an
		additional 10.7% of New Common
	,	Stock. QUIPS Notes claims received
		pro rata share of 1.4% of New
		Common Stock plus Warrants exercisable for an additional 2.3% of
		New Common Stock.
9	General Unsecured Claims	Pro rata share of 92% of New
	General Chisecured Claims	Common Stock shared pro rata
		between and among claimants in
		Class 7 and Class 9.
10	Unsecured Convenience Claims each of	Paid in full in cash, up to \$20,000.
	\$20,000 or less	- 1.1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1
11	Environmental Claims	Allowed Environmental Claims
		reinstated in full.
12	D&O Trust Claims	Paid from the D&O Trust in FIFO
		order based on the date of entry of the
		D&O Proceeding Final Order
		providing for a Final Award in the
		D&O Proceeding giving rise to such
1.2		D&O Trust Claim.
13	Other Equity and Interest Holder Claims	Extinguished and discharged
14	Securities Claims	Paid from the Settlement Fund in the
		amounts, at the times and in the
		manner provided for in the Class
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15	Opt-Out Securities Claims	Upon receipt of a D&O Proceeding
		Final Order, holders channeled to the
		D&O Trust and received the same treatment as D&O Trust Claims.
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modification of the Plan. Parties should refer to the Plan for detailed descriptions of the distributions thereunder.

- 6. All of the distributions required to date Plan have been made.
- 7. All matters to be completed upon the Effective Date of the Plan have been fulfilled or completed.
- 8. There is no pending adversary proceeding, contested matter, or other proceeding in the Case that would affect the substantial consummation of the Case.

Dated: February 7, 2012

Kendall Kliewer

Vice President and Controller