January 24, 2014

The Honorable Richard Cohen, Chair
Senate Finance Committee
State Capitol, Room 121

The Honorable LeRoy A. Stumpf, Chair
Senate Capital Investment Committee
State Capitol, Room 122

The Honorable Lyndon Carlson Sr., Chair
House Ways and Means Committee
State Office Building, Room 479

The Honorable Alice Hausman, Chair
House Capital Investment Committee
State Office Building, Room 487

Re: 2013 Land Sale Report

Dear Committee Chairs:

The attached report is submitted on behalf of the Department of Administration and in accordance with Minnesota Statutes §16B.24, Subdivision 3a. The report outlines sales or other transfers of real property owned by the state that have occurred in calendar year 2013.

Please contact my office if you have any questions or need assistance.

Sincerely,

Commissioner Spencer Cronk
Minnesota Department of Administration

Attachment

cc: Legislative Reference Library
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Real Estate and Construction Services
651.201.2550

Cost to prepare this report: $300.00
Minnesota Statutes 16B.24, Subdivision 3a, requires the Commissioner of Administration to report all sales or other transfers of real property owned by the state that have taken place in the preceding calendar year. The report includes a description of each property, reason for the sale, the name of the buyer, and the price for which the property was sold. This does not include real property held by the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Transportation, or the Board of Water and Soil Resources (except for real property that has been used for office space by any of those agencies). Nor does the report include property owned by the University of Minnesota or the Board of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

This report covers the period from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013.

**DOUGLAS COUNTY**
**Department of Administration**

**Description of Property:** Vacant Land on Forster Road NE, Carlos, Douglas County, MN

**Reason For Sale:** The Department of Administration declared this parcel as surplus property because it was not being used by the State.

**Buyer:** Kenneth W. Steiger, doing business as Farm Field Ltd. II

**Acreage of Land Conveyed:** Approximately 31.09 acres

**Transfer Date:** June 21, 2013

**Purchase Price:** $90,000.00
ST. LOUIS COUNTY
Department of Natural Resources

Description of Property: Cotton Forestry office site. The North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, less the west 33 feet of Section 16, Township 54 North, Range 17 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota. Improvements on the subject property include a former forestry office, two garages, a large antenna and a former fire tower.

Square Footage of Buildings: Office: 22’x24’ (528 square main floor with full, unfinished basement) 
Two-stall garage: 24’x36’ (864 square feet) 
Three-stall garage: 24’x40’ (960 square feet)

Reason For Sale: The Department of Natural Resources identified this site for divestiture.

Buyer: Thomas and Joyce Borchardt

Acreage of Land Conveyed: Approximately 19.50 acres

Transfer Date: August 5, 2013

Purchase Price: $72,000.00

TODD COUNTY
Department of Military Affairs

Description of Property: Old Long Prairie Armory. The property was an approximately 15,790 square foot, 2 story building originally constructed in 1920, sitting on an approximately 11,000 square foot lot at 220 First Avenue South, Long Prairie, Minnesota

Square Footage of Buildings: Approximately 15,790 square feet

Reason For Sale: The property was surplus to the Department of Military Affairs’ needs. The Department of Military Affairs concluded that it had no need for two facilities in Long Prairie and therefore, sold this property.

Buyer: BLH Properties, LLC

Acreage of Land Conveyed: Approximately 0.25252525 acres or 11,000 square feet

Transfer Date: March 11, 2013

Purchase Price: $18,652.00