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First Northern Bank Has Generated Enough Electricity to Power 42 Homes

- Earth Day Update -

Dixon, California – One year after flipping the "on" switch, First Northern Bank's rooftop solar systems have generated 461,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity. That's enough power to:

- Operate 42 homes for a year
- Avoid generating the gasses that 54 cars would emit over a year, or
- Operate 4,208 60-watt light bulbs for a year.

Check out the savings for yourself – they're posted in real-time on the Bank's Web site at www.thatsmybank.com. Simply click on the "First Northern Bank Gets Greener" box that appears on the lower left of the homepage. (Because the data is in real-time, the numbers should increase every time you view them.)

"Our rooftop solar systems have been operating smoothly, and we could not be more pleased with the energy savings that we're seeing," says Bruce Orris, Senior Vice President/Client Support Services. "As far as greenhouse gases go, our rooftop solar systems have prevented half a million pounds of carbon dioxide (CO_2) and 666 pounds of nitrogen oxide from entering the earth's atmosphere. We can all breathe a little easier."

First Northern Bank installed 1,675 photovoltaic panels totaling 26,767 square feet (more than half an acre) atop four buildings: the two Bank buildings in Dixon, the West Sacramento Branch, and the Winters Branch, which is an historic landmark. On weekends, when the Bank's energy use is at its lowest, First Northern can sell the power from its solar system to PG&E's electric grid.

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Combined, these systems have a generating capacity of approximately 296 kilowatts of electricity. Over 25 years, these solar systems are estimated to offset 16 million pounds of CO_2, which is equivalent to 26 million miles not driven in an average car, taking 84 cars off the road for 25 years, or planting 136 acres of trees.

The Bank's $2.1 million solar system was installed and became operational before the end of 2008. Due to a combination of rebates and monthly incentives, the system is paying for itself. When the payback period ends, the electricity charges on the four buildings are expected to drop by 60%.

Other green initiatives at First Northern include offering Online Banking since 1999; using hybrid vehicles since 2005 in its courier fleet; providing Deposit Capture, a remote electronic deposit system for businesses, since 2007; and supplying reusable shopping bags to employees, shareholders and customers since 2008.

First Northern Bank (OTC: FNRN) marked its first 100 years in business on February 1. Festivities are planned throughout 2010, as First Northern celebrates its history as one of the Sacramento region's oldest, most trusted community banks.

About First Northern Bank

First Northern Bank, an independent community bank headquartered in Solano County since 1910, serves Solano, Yolo, Sacramento, Placer and the west slope of El Dorado County. First Northern has 11 branches located in Dixon, Davis, West Sacramento, Fairfield, Vacaville (2), Winters, Woodland, Downtown Sacramento, Roseville, and Auburn, and has a Small Business Lending Office in Roseville and a full service Trust Department in Sacramento. First Northern Bank also offers 24/7 real estate mortgage loans and non-FDIC insured Investment and Brokerage Services at each branch location. Real Estate Mortgage Loan offices are located in Davis, Roseville and Folsom, and real estate loan representatives are available to meet customers at any of the Bank's branches by appointment. The Bank can be found on the Web at www.thatsmybank.com.

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