Financial Statements of

## MÉTIS NATION - SASKATCHEWAN SECRETARIAT INC

Year ended March 31, 2009



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## AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

We have audited the statement of financial position of the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc as at March 31, 2009 and the statement of revenue and expenses, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Metis Nation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Metis Nation as at March 31, 2009 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 18 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such supplementary information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

KPMG LLP

**Chartered Accountants** 

Saskatoon, Canada July 22, 2009

Statement of Financial Position

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March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

		2009		2008
			(rest	ated note 11
Assets				
Current assets: Accounts receivable (note 3)	\$	659,279	\$	392,156
Capital assets (note 4)		246,225		106,604
	\$	905,504	\$	498,760
Liabilities and Net Assets				
Current liabilities: Bank indebtedness (note 5) Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred revenue Due to Provincial Métis Holdco Inc., a related entity	\$	270,720 235,622 319,538	\$	100,688 353,107 76,354
	<u> </u>	825,880		<u> </u>
Deferred grants for capital assets (note 6)		129,570		-
Net assets: Operating fund Capital fund	-, <u>-</u> -	(166,601) 16,655 (49,946)		(192,993) <u>106,604</u> (86,389)
	\$	905,504	\$	498,760

Nature of operations (note 1) Contingency (note 9)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

On behalf of the Board:

Director

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Director

Statement of Revenue and Expenses

Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

	 2009		2008
Revenue:		(rest	ated note 11)
Federal grants Provincial grants Other	\$ 1,708,228 877,476 361,112	\$	586,047 478,646 043
	2,946,816		1,281,736
Expenses - Summary schedule of expenses	 2,910,373		1,181,327
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ 36,443	\$	100,409

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets

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## Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

	 2009		2008
		(rest	ated note 11
Operating Fund			
Balance, beginning of year	\$ (192,993)	\$	(292,392
Excess of revenue over expenses Transfer from capital fund for amortization Transfer to capital fund for purchase of capital assets Deferred contributions related to capital assets Amortization of deferred contributions for capital assets	36,443 30,132 (169,753) 154,865 (25,295)		100,409 1,488 (2,498
Balance, end of year	\$ (166,601)	\$	(192,993)
Capital Fund			
Balance, beginning of year Transfer to operating fund for amortization Transfer from operating fund for purchase of capital assets	\$ 106,604 (30,132)	\$	105,594 (1,488)
Deferred contributions related to capital assets mortization of deferred contributions for capital assets	169,753 (154,865) 25,295		2,498 - -
alance, end of year	\$ 116,655	\$	106,604

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

	 2009		2008
	<u></u>	(rest	ated note 11
Cash flows from (used in):			
Operations:			
Excess of revenue over expenses Items not involving cash:	\$ 36,443	\$	100,409
Amortization Amortization of deferred contributions for capital	30,132		1,488
assets Change in non-cash operating working capital:	(25,295)		-
Accounts receivable	(267,123)		(378,209)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Due to Provincial Métis Holdco Inc.	(117,485)		120,317
Deferred revenue	(55,000)		-
	 243,184		76,354
	(155,144)		(79,641)
Financing:			
Deferred contributions for capital assets	154,865		-
nvesting:			
Purchase of equipment	(169,753)		(2,498)
Decrease in cash position	 (170,032)		(82,139)
Bank indebtedness, beginning of year	(100,688)		(18,549)
Bank indebtedness, end of year	\$ (270,720)	\$	(100,688)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements

Year ended March 31, 2009

Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. (the "Métis Nation") is incorporated under the Métis Act of Saskatchewan. The Métis Nation's purpose is to undertake activities that strive to recognize the political, legal and constitutional rights of the Métis people in Saskatchewan.

During the 2005 fiscal year, the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan held an election to elect a new Provincial Métis Council. The election was viewed by the Governments of Saskatchewan and Canada to be corrupt and, as such, the election did not reflect the will of the Métis Citizens of Saskatchewan. As a result, all funding to the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan was suspended by the Government of Saskatchewan and, in turn, the Government of Canada.

During the 2008 fiscal year, funding to the Métis Nations by the Government of Saskatchewan and the Government of Canada was restored.

### 1. Nature of operations:

These financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which presumes that the Métis Nation will continue in operation for a reasonable period of time and will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of operations.

The Métis Nation's continuation as a going concern is dependent upon its ability to attain profitable operations and obtain sufficient cash from external funding to meet its liabilities and commitments. The outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time.

These financial statements do not include any adjustments in the carrying values of assets and liabilities, the reported deficiency of revenue over expenditures and the statement of financial position classifications that would be necessary if the going concern assumptions were not appropriate, should the Métis Nation not be able to continue its normal course of business.

### 2. Significant accounting policies:

(a) Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities include approximately \$200,000 of amounts related to March 31, 2008 and prior years. The ultimate amounts payable related to these outstanding liabilities has not been determined (note 1).

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended March 31, 2009

#### Significant accounting policies (continued): 2.

(b) Cash:

Cash consists of balances with financial institutions which have an initial term to maturity of three months or less.

(c) Capital Assets:

Capital assets are stated at cost. Amortization is computed based upon the estimated useful lives and salvage values of the assets. In the year of acquisition, one-half of the rate is used. No amortization is taken in the year of disposal.

Amortization is provided using the following method and annual rates.

Asset	Method	Rate
Equipment	Declining Balance	20%
Furniture	Declining Balance	35%
Computers	Declining Balance	50%

Contributions for capital asset purchases are deferred and amortized on the same basis as the assets to which they relate. Amortization of deferred contributions for capital assets is included in revenue from federal funding sources.

(d) Revenue recognition:

The Métis Nation follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Externally restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

(e) Deferred revenue:

Deferred revenue relates to funds received which relate to the next fiscal year.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended March 31, 2009

#### Significant accounting policies (continued): 2.

Accounting for program activities: (f)

> The statement of financial position and the statements of revenue and expenses, changes in net assets and cash flows are all prepared on a combined basis. Revenue and expenses related to administration activities and program delivery are reported as follows:

- Administration
- **Registry Program**
- Federal Duty to Consult Program
- Regional Duty to Consult Program
- Duty to Consult Enbridge Program
- Duty to Consult Appeal Process Program
- Regional Duty to Consult Prior Year Deferred Revenue
- **Bilateral Program**
- Tripartite Self-Government Program
- Basic Organizational Capacity Program
- Premiers Round Table Program
- Aboriginal Health Transition Program
- Harvesting Program
- **Fishery Program**
- Governance Program
- Youth Roundtable Program
- (g) Financial instruments:

The Métis Nation has designated all of its cash and investments that may arise and bank indebtedness as "held for trading" and records them at fair value. Accounts receivable are classified as "loans and receivables" and measured at amortized cost. Account payable and accrued liabilities are classified as "other financial liabilities" and measured at amortized cost.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended March 31, 2009

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#### 3. Accounts receivable:

	 2009	2008
GST receivable Program funding and other Due from related party Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 51,643 619,136 8,000 (19,500)	\$ 14,485 389,171 8,000 (19,500)
	\$ 659,279	\$ 392,156

#### Capital Assets: 4.

	······································	Cost	umulated ortization	2009 Net book value	 2008 Net book value
Land Equipment Furniture Computers	\$	99,405 165,990 53,299 51,465	\$ 101,740 9,327 12,867	\$ 99,405 64,250 43,972 38,598	\$ 99,405 7,199
	\$	370,159	\$ 123,934	\$ 246,225	\$ 106,604

#### Bank Indebtedness: 5.

Bank indebtedness is comprised of cheques issued in excess of funds on deposit. The Métis Nation has available a \$20,000 line of credit secured by a Guaranteed Investment Certificate held by Provincial Métis Holdco Inc., a related party.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

### 6. Deferred grants for capital assets:

			 -	 2009	2008
••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	······	Cost	ccumulateo Imortization	Net book value	Net book value
Equipment Furniture Computers	\$	- 64,990 48,975 40,900	\$ 6,499 8,570 10,226	\$ 58,491 40,405 30,674	\$ - - -
	\$	154,865	\$ 25,295	\$ 129,570	\$ 

### 7. Related party transactions:

During the year the Métis Nation incurred rent expense of \$89,504 (2008 - \$25,720) to Provincial Métis Holdco Inc., an organization with which it is related through common board members. This rent constitutes fair market value for services received. Amounts due to Provincial Métis Holdco in the amount of \$72,423 (2008 - \$60,525) and included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities, are non-interest bearing, unsecured and have no fixed terms of repayment.

During the 2005 fiscal year, the Métis Nation advanced their former Treasurer \$8,000 to be repaid in monthly installments of \$500. To date, this entire amount remains outstanding. As a result, an allowance has been set up for the full amount of the advance.

## 8. Financial instruments and risk management:

The Metis Nation, through its financial assets and liabilities, has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

#### Credit risk

The Metis Nation's principal financial asset is accounts receivable, which is subject to credit risk. The carrying amount of this financial asset on the statement of financial position represent the Metis Nation's maximum credit exposure at December 31, 2008. The amounts disclosed in the statement of financial position are net of allowance for doubtful accounts, estimated by management of the Metis Nation based on previous experience and its assessment of the current economic environment.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended March 31, 2009

### 8. Financial instruments and risk management (continued):

Interest Rate Risk

The interest-bearing, bank indebtedness has limited exposure to interest rate risk due to it's short-term maturity.

Fair Values

The fair values of bank indebtedness, accounts receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their carrying value due to their short-term period to maturity.

### 9. Contingency:

A claim has been filed against the Metis Nation regarding the collapse of bleachers at the Batoche site. The potential exposure to the claim is estimated to be approximately \$50,000. The Metis Nations is in the process of determining the nature of the claim and their potential liability and will account for the amount of settlement if any, upon final determination of any liability.

### 10. Comparative figures:

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the financial statement presentation adopted in the current year.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended March 31, 2009

### 11. Correction of prior period errors:

During 2009 it was determined that errors in the recording of revenue and expenses related to the previous year had occurred. The previous period financial statements have been restated to reflect the correction of these errors as follows:

	 2009
Increase in other administration revenue Decrease in salary expense	\$ 24,313 26,200
Increase in excess of revenue over expenses and net assets	\$ 50,513

In addition, accounts receivable at March 31, 2008 was increased by \$24,313, bank indebtedness at March 31, 2009 was decreased by \$26,200 and net assets were increased by \$50,513 to reflect the impact of these errors on the statement of financial position.

Schedule 1 - Summary Schedule of Expenses

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	2	009	2008
		(re	stated note 11)
Salaries & benefits	<b>f</b>		
Travel	\$ 662,3		665,053
Consulting	542,3		105,661
Administration fee	461,7		107,732
Technical support	234,4		-
Reference materials	228,0		26,830
Legal fees	136,4		-
Advertising	132,6		57,276
Office rent	91,8		5,225
Meetings	89,5		25,720
Office supplies	78,8	86	69,146
Sundry	69,8		10,586
Amortization	32,6	67	1,845
Strategic planning	30,1	32	1,488
Telephone	30,0	00	-
Repairs and services	26,8	03	8,024
Audit fees	18,2	69	-
Printing and postage	17,8	73	45,902
Equipment leasing	8,4	11	1,221
Bank charges and interest	5,78	33	5,436
Ceremonial	4,60	39	2,767
Storage	4,09	92	_,, 0,
Professional services	3,28	35	2,872
Curling		-	22,543
			16,000
	\$ 2,910,37	3 \$	1,181,327

Schedule 2 - Administration

		2009		200
			(res	tated note 1
Revenue:				
Other	\$	000 540		
Provincial funding	Φ	266,512	\$	120,75
Federal funding		54,000 3,176		405,000
	······································	323,688		<u>450,617</u> 976,368
	-			970,300
Expenses:				
Administration				
Meetings		28,466		
Technical support		23,839		5,582
Office rent		10,953		22,870
Telephone and internet		10,247		24,920
Equipment leasing		5,783		7,900
Bank charges and interest		4,689		5,436
Storage		3,285		2,767
Ceremonial Brinting and the second		2,958		2,872
Printing and postage		1,919		-
Office supplies Sundry		1,723		1,221
Amortization		1,632		10,586
Advertising		1,440		1,537
Curling		68		1,488
ouning		-		5,225 <u>16,000</u>
		97,002		108,404
Professional services Legal fees				100,404
		49,299		40.07
Audit and business services		12,873		16,871
Consulting services		10,573		45,902
		72,745		20,624
Salaries and contracted services		12,140		83,397
Executive		00.000		
Other		36,682		219,726
Area directors		12,179		124,444
		43.004		313,383
ravel		43,861		657,553
Other				
Executive		67,917		625
Board members		33,574		37,626
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-		16,200
ptal expenses		101,491		54,451
iministration expenses allocated to programs		320,099		903,805
et expenses		200.000		(38,982)
cess (deficiency) of revealed		320,099		864,823
cess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$	3 589	\$	111,545

Schedule 3 - Registry Program

	 2009	 200
ederal funding including amortization of deferred		 
contributions for capital assets of \$25,295 (2008 - \$nil)	\$ 870,200	\$ 85,38
Expenses:		
Technical support	204,248	2.00
Reference materials	136,493	3,96
Allocated administration fee	130,435	11,13
Salaries and benefits	92,400	
Advertising	77,486	-
Travel	41,222	3,95
Consulting	41,040	74,67
Office supplies Office rent	40,414	-
	32,147	-
Amortization	25,295	-
Card design and printing	23,388	-
Repairs and services Administration costs	18,269	-
Legal fees	2,196	-
Meetings	2,036	-
Meetings	 1,350	600
	 868,419	 94,320
xcess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ 1,781	\$ (8,933

Schedule 4 - Federal Duty to Consult Program

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Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

······································	 2009	 2008
ederal funding	\$ 70,000	\$ -
Expenses:		
Travel	58,654	-
Consulting	8,350	-
Ceremonial	1,134	-
Administration fee	1,061	-
Supplies	 801	-
	70,000	_
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ in the second	\$ 

### Schedule 5 - Regional Duty to Consult Program

	 2009	 2008
Provincial funding	\$ 200,000	\$ 73,646
Expenses		
Consulting	160,000	7,938
Legal services	7,688	40,405
Travel	-	13,103
Allocated administration costs	-	11,250
Meetings	 -	 950
	167,688	73,646
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ 32,312	\$ 

Schedule 6 - Duty to Consult - Enbridge Program

### Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

	 2009	 2008
Funding - Enbridge	\$ 80,000	\$ -
Expenses		
Métis Nation Regional Council ER IIA	20,000	-
Métis Nation of Saskatchewan ER III	20,000	-
Métis Nation Regional Council WR IIA	20,000	-
Regina Métis Sports & Culture	 20,000	 -
	80,000	-
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ +	\$ -

### Schedule 7 - Duty to Consult Appeal Process Program

	 2009	 2008
ederal funding	\$ 49,852	\$ -
Expenses:		
Travel	32,542	-
Consulting	7,500	-
Administration fee	5,361	-
Office supplies	2,533	-
Equipment	 1,916	-
	49,852	-
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ · -	\$ _

Schedule 8 - Regional Duty to Consult Prior Year Deferred Revenue

## Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

		2009		2008
Provincial funding	\$	76,354	\$	_
Expenses:				
Legal fees Travel Administration fees Consulting Salaries and benefits Meetings Advertising Administration costs Office supplies	18,752 15,921 11,453 9,152 9,147 7,706 2,791 1,129			
		76,354		-
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$		\$	

Schedule 9 - Bilateral Program

	2009	 2008
Provincial funding	\$ 100,000	\$ <u> </u>
Expenses:		
Consulting Administration fee	74,000	÷
Travel	 15,000 11,000	-
	100,000	 -
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ 	 <u></u>
	 	\$ -

Schedule 10 - Tripartite Self Government Program

### Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

		2009	 2008
Revenue:			
Federal funding	٨	005.000	
Provincial funding	\$	285,000	\$ -
MNLA booth display contributions		285,000	-
MNLA affiliates contributions		10,100	-
terre connector contributions		4,500	 -
		584,600	-
xpenses:			
Salaries and benefits		255,946	
AGA		65,000	-
MNLA		65,000	-
Travel		48.345	-
Office rent		36,000	-
Strategic planning		30,000	-
Legal fees		23,999	-
Telephone and internet		14,400	-
Consulting		,	-
Meetings		13,262	-
Office supplies		7,812	-
Postage and courier		7,200	-
Audit fees		5,037	-
Advertising and printing		5,000	-
Annual report		3,197	-
Amortization		3,000	-
		2,641	 -
		585,839	-
eficiency of revenue over expenses	\$	(1,239)	\$ 

## Schedule 11 - Basic Organizational Capacity Program

Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

	2009		2008
Revenue: Federal funding	\$ 430,000	\$	
Expenses:	430,000	······································	-
Salaries and benefits Travel Administration fee	255,000 109,500 64,500		-
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Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ -	\$	

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Schedule 12 - Premiers Round Table Program

### Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

	 2009	 2008
Provincial funding	\$ 35,000	\$ -
Expenses:		
Travel	29,750	_
Administration fee	 5,250	-
	35,000	
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ ~	\$ 

### Schedule 13 - Aboriginal Health Transition Program

	 2009	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2008
Provincial funding	\$ 77,122	\$	-
Expenses:			
Consulting	37,720		-
Travel	19,532		-
Office rent	10,404		-
Advertising and printing	5,946		-
Training and development	1,742		-
Amortization	757		-
Meetings	565		-
Office supplies	376		-
Postage and courier	 80		-
	77,122		-
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ _	\$	

Schedule 14 - Harvesting Program

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### Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

	2009	 2008
Provincial funding	\$ 45,000	\$ -
Expenses:		
Legal fees	30,883	-
Consulting	12,500	-
Administration fee	1,437	-
Meetings	180	-
	45,000	-
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ -	\$ 

### Schedule 15 - Fishery Program

	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2009	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2008
Provincial funding	\$	5,000	\$	-
Expenses:				
Consulting		5,000		-
		5,000		-
Excess of revenue aver average				
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$	-	\$	-

Schedule 16 - Governance Program

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### Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

	2009			2008
Revenue:				
Federal funding	\$	-	\$	50,043
Other funding		-	•	47,500
		-		97,543
Expenses:				
Meetings		-		22,535
PMC meetings		-		16,937
Allocated administration costs		-		16,597
Travel		-		14,981
Governance review		-		11,660
Professional fees		-		10,883
Consulting		-		3,000
Revenue processing fee		-	-	950
		ler .		97,543
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$	-	\$	,

### Schedule 17 - Youth Roundtable Program

Funding - Canadian Heritage	2009			2008	
	\$	-	\$	49,742	
Expenses:					
Meetings		-		22,542	
Travel		_		19,170	
Salaries and benefits		_		7,500	
Consulting		· _		•	
Office rent		_		1,500	
General project costs		-		800	
Telephone		-		· 308	
				124	
Deficience		-		51,944	
Deficiency of revenue over expenses	\$	~	\$	(2,202)	

Schedule 18 - Supplemental Schedule of Expenditures for Funding Purposes

### Year ended March 31, 2009, with comparative figures for 2008

		Program le 3	
	 2009	······································	2008
Expenses	\$ 868,419	\$	94,320
Capitalized property and equipment expenditures	154,865		-
Total expenditures for funding purpose	\$ 1,023,284	\$	94,320

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