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FDIC APPROVES DEPOSIT ASSUMPTION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ELBOW LAKE, ELBOW LAKE, MINNESOTA

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has approved the assumption of the deposit liabilities of The First National Bank of Elbow Lake, Elbow Lake, Minnesota, by First National Bank of Fergus Falls, Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

The failed bank's sole office will reopen on Friday, May 15, 1987, as a branch of First National Bank of Fergus Falls, and its depositors automatically will become depositors of the assuming bank, subject to approval by the appropriate court.

The First National Bank of Elbow Lake, with total assets of \$17.5 million, was closed on Thursday, May 14, 1987, by Robert J. Herrmann, Senior Deputy Comptroller of the Currency, and the FDIC was named receiver.

First National Bank of Fergus Falls will assume about \$16.2 million in 2,750 deposit accounts and has agreed to pay the FDIC a purchase premium of \$52,000. It also will purchase certain of the failed bank's loans and other assets for \$5.6 million. To facilitate the transaction, the FDIC will advance about \$11.5 million to the assuming bank and will retain assets of the failed bank with a book value of about \$11.9 million.

The Board of Directors approved the deposit assumption under its authority to do so whenever it determines that such a transaction will reduce the potential loss to the FDIC. The Board made such a finding in this case because of the premium paid by First National Bank of Fergus Falls.

The FDIC will recover a portion of its outlay through the liquidation of assets not transferred to the assuming bank. In this respect, the FDIC notes that its claim will have priority over the claims of shareholders of the closed bank.

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