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FORM 10-K

[X] ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006

Or

[] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission file number 1-15759

CLECO CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

72-1445282

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2030 Donahue Ferry Road, Pineville, Louisiana

(Address of principal executive offices)

71360-5226

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (318) 484-7400

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class

Name of each exchange on which registered

Common Stock, \$1.00 par value, and associated rights to purchase Preferred Stock

New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

Title of each class

4.50% Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$100 Par Value Convertible Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$100 Par Value, Series of 1991

Commission file number 1-05663

CLECO POWER LLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana		72-0244480
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporat	tion or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
2030 Donahue Ferry Road, Pinev	ille. Louisiana	71360-5226
(Address of principal executiv		(Zip Code)
Registrant's tele	phone number, includin	g area code: (318) 484-7400
Securities re	egistered pursuant to Se	ction 12(b) of the Act:
		Name of each exchange on which
Title of each class		<u>registered</u>
6.52% Medium-Term Notes due 2009		New York Stock Exchange
Securities r	egistered pursuant to Se	ction 12(g) of the Act:
	<u>Title of each cla</u> Membership Intere	
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Indicate by check mark if Cleco Power L Act. Yes No _x_	LC is a well-known seaso	ned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities
Indicate by check mark if the Registrants Act. YesNo_x_	are not required to file re	ports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 duri	ng the preceding 12 mont	reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of this (or for such shorter period that the Registrants the filing requirements for the past 90 days.
herein, and will not be contained, to the b	est of each of the Registra	o Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained ant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information or any amendment to this Form 10-K
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Indicate by check mark whether the Registrants are shell companies (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act) YesNox_
The aggregate market value of the Cleco Corporation voting stock held by non-affiliates was \$1,109,278,425 as of the last business day of Cleco Corporation's most recently completed second fiscal quarter, based on a price of \$23.25 pe common share, the closing price of Cleco Corporation's common stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on such date. Cleco Corporation's Cumulative Preferred Stock is not listed on any national securities exchange, nor arprices for the Cumulative Preferred Stock quoted on any national automated quotation system; therefore, its market value is not readily determinable and is not included in the foregoing amount.

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As of February 1, 2007, there were 57,666,100 outstanding shares of Cleco Corporation's Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share. As of February 1, 2007, all of Cleco Power's Membership Interests were owned by Cleco Corporation.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of Cleco Corporation's definitive Proxy Statement relating to its Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on April 20, 2007, are incorporated by reference into Part III herein.

This combined Form 10-K is separately filed by Cleco Corporation and Cleco Power. Information in this filing relating to Cleco Power is filed by Cleco Corporation and separately by Cleco Power on its own behalf. Cleco Power makes no representation as to information relating to Cleco Corporation (except as it may relate to Cleco Power) or any other affiliate or subsidiary of Cleco Corporation.

This report should be read in its entirety as it pertains to each respective Registrant. The Notes to the Financial Statements for the Registrants and certain other sections of this report are combined.

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

References in this filing, including all items in Parts I, II, III, and IV, to "Cleco" mean Cleco Corporation and its subsidiaries, including Cleco Power, and references to "Cleco Power" mean Cleco Power LLC, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise. Additional abbreviations or acronyms used in this filing, including all items in Parts I, II, III, and IV are defined below:

ABBREVIATION OR ACRONYM	DEFINITION
401(k) Plan	Cleco Power 401(k) Savings and Investment Plan
Acadia	Acadia Power Partners, LLC and its 1,160-MW combined-cycle, natural gas-fired power plant near Eunice, Louisiana, 50% owned by APH and 50% owned by a subsidiary of Calpine
AFUDC	Allowance for Funds Used During Construction
Amended EPC Contract	Amended and Restated EPC Contract between Cleco Power and Shaw Constructors, Inc., executed on May 12, 2006, to engineer, design, and construct Rodemacher Unit 3.
APB	Accounting Principles Board
APB Opinion No. 12	Omnibus Opinion-1967
APB Opinion No. 18	The Equity Method of Accounting for Investments in Common Stock
APB Opinion No. 25	Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees
APB Opinion No. 29	Accounting for Nonmonetary Transactions
APH	Acadia Power Holdings LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Midstream
ARB	Accounting Research Bulletin
ARB No. 51	Consolidated Financial Statements
ARO	Asset Retirement Obligation
Attala	Attala Transmission LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Midstream. Effective February 1, 2007, Midstream transferred all of its membership interest in Attala to Cleco Corporation.
Calpine	Calpine Corporation
Calpine Debtors	Calpine, CES, and certain other Calpine subsidiaries
Calpine Debtors Bankruptcy Court	U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York
Calpine Tolling Agreements	Capacity Sale and Tolling Agreements between Acadia and CES which was suspended in March 2006
CCN	Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
CES	Calpine Energy Services, L.P.
CLE Intrastate	CLE Intrastate Pipeline Company LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Midstream
Cleco Energy	Cleco Energy LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Midstream
Compliance Plan	The three-year plan included in the Consent Agreement in FERC Docket IN03-1-000
Consent Agreement	Stipulation and Consent Agreement, dated as of July 25, 2003, between Cleco and the FERC Staff
DHLC	Dolet Hills Lignite Company, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of SWEPCO
Diversified Lands	Diversified Lands LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Innovations LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Corporation
EITF	Emerging Issues Task Force of the FASB
EITF No. 04-13	Accounting for Purchases and Sales of Inventory with the Same Counterparty
EITF No. 06-3	, , ,

	How Taxes Collected from Customers and Remitted to Governmental Authorities Should Be Presented in the Income Statement (That Is, Gross Versus Net Presentation)
EITF No. 06-4	Accounting for Deferred Compensation and Postretirement Benefit Aspects of Endorsement Split-Dollar Life Insurance Arrangements
EITF No. 06-5	Accounting for Purchases of Life Insurance-Determining the Amount That Could Be Realized in Accordance with FASB Technical Bulletin No. 85-4
Entergy	Entergy Corporation
Entergy Gulf States	Entergy Gulf States, Inc.
Entergy Louisiana	Entergy Louisiana, Inc.
Entergy Mississippi	Entergy Mississippi, Inc.
Entergy Services	Entergy Services, Inc., as agent for Entergy Louisiana and Entergy Gulf States
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
EPC	Engineering, Procurement, and Construction
ERO	Electric Reliability Organization
ESOP	Cleco Corporation Employee Stock Ownership Plan
ESPP	Cleco Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan
Evangeline	Cleco Evangeline LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Midstream, and its 775-MW combined-cycle, natural gas-fired power plant located in Evangeline Parish, Louisiana
Evangeline Tolling Agreement	Capacity Sale and Tolling Agreement between Evangeline and Williams which expires in 2020
FASB	Financial Accounting Standards Board
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
FIN	FASB Interpretation No.
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ABBREVIATION OR ACRONYM	DEFINITION
FIN 45	Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness to Others
FIN 46R	Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities - an Interpretation of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51 (revised December 2003)
FIN 47	Accounting for Conditional Asset Retirement Obligations - an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 143
FIN 48	Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes - an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109
FSP	FASB Staff Position
FSP No. FIN 46R-6	Determining the Variability to Be Considered in Applying FASB Interpretation No. 46R
FSP SFAS No. 106-2	Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003
FSP SFAS 123(R)-1	Classification and Measurement of Freestanding Financial Instruments Originally Issued in Exchange for Employee Services under FASB Statement No. 123(R)
FSP SFAS 123(R)-5	Amendment of FASB Staff Position FAS 123(R)-1
FSP SFAS 123(R)-6	Technical Corrections of FASB Statement No. 123(R)
GDP-IPD	Gross Domestic Product - Implicit Price Deflator
Generation Services	Cleco Generation Services LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Midstream
ICT	Independent Coordinator of Transmission
Interconnection	Interconnection Agreement and Real Estate Agreement between Attala and Entergy
Agreement	Mississippi
IRP	Integrated Resource Planning
kWh	Kilowatt-hour(s) as applicable
LDEQ	Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality
LIBOR	London Inter-Bank Offer Rate
Lignite Mining Agreement	Dolet Hills Mine Lignite Mining Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2001
LPSC	Louisiana Public Service Commission
LTICP	Cleco Corporation Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan
MAEM	Mirant Americas Energy Marketing, LP
MAI	Mirant Americas, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Mirant
Marketing & Trading	Cleco Marketing & Trading LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Midstream
Midstream	Cleco Midstream Resources LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Corporation
Mirant	Mirant Corporation
Mirant Debtors	Mirant, MAEM, MAI, and certain other Mirant subsidiaries
Mirant Debtors Bankruptcy Court	U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Ft. Worth Division
MMBtu	Million British thermal units
Moody's	Moody's Investors Service
MW	Megawatt(s) as applicable
MWh	Megawatt-hour(s) as applicable
NOPR	Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
Not meaningful	A percentage comparison of these items is not statistically meaningful because the percentage difference is greater than 1,000%.
NO_x	Nitrogen oxides
PEĤ	Perryville Energy Holdings LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Midstream.
Perryville	

	Perryville Energy Partners, L.L.C., a wholly owned subsidiary of PEH, which retained ownership of the plant-related transmission assets following the sale of its 718-MW, natural gas-fired power plant (sold to Entergy Louisiana on June 30, 2005) near Perryville, Louisiana. Effective February 1, 2007, PEH transferred all of its membership interest in Perryville to Cleco Corporation.		
Perryville and PEH Bankruptcy Court	U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Louisiana, Alexandria Division		
Perryville Tolling Agreement	Capacity Sale and Tolling Agreement between Perryville and MAEM		
Power Purchase Agreement	Power Purchase Agreement, dated as of January 28, 2004, between Perryville and Entergy Services		
Registrant(s)	Cleco Corporation and Cleco Power		
RFP	Request for Proposal		
Rodemacher Unit 3	A 600-MW solid fuel generating unit under construction by Cleco Power at its existing Rodemacher plant site in Boyce, Louisiana.		
RSP	Rate Stabilization Plan		
RTO	Regional Transmission Organization		
SAB No. 108	Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 108		
Sale Agreement	Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated as of January 28, 2004, between Perryville and Entergy Louisiana		
SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission		
Senior Loan Agreement	· ·		
SERP	Cleco Corporation Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan		
SFAS	Statement of Financial Accounting Standards		
SFAS No. 13	Accounting for Leases		
SFAS No. 29	Determining Contingent Rentals		
SFAS No. 71	Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation		
SFAS No. 87	Employers' Accounting for Pensions		
SFAS No. 94	Consolidation of All Majority Owned Subsidiaries		
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ABBREVIATION OR ACRONYM	DEFINITION			
SFAS No. 95	Statement of Cash Flows			
SFAS No. 106	Employers' Accounting for Postretirement Benefits Other Than Pensions			
SFAS No. 109	Accounting for Income Taxes			
SFAS No. 123	Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation			
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SFAS No. 131	Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information			
SFAS No. 133	Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities			
SFAS No. 140	Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities			
SFAS No. 143	Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations			
SFAS No. 144	Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets			
SFAS No. 149	Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities			
SFAS No. 155	Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instructions - an amendment of FASB Statements No. 133 and 140			
SFAS No. 156	Accounting for Servicing of Financial Assets - an amendment of FASB Statement No. 140			
SFAS No. 157	Fair Value Measurements			
SFAS No. 158	Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans - an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106, and 132(R)			
Shaw	Shaw Contractors, Inc., a subsidiary of The Shaw Group Inc.			
SO_2	Sulfur dioxide			
SPP	Southwest Power Pool			
Subordinated Loan Agreement	Subordinated Loan Agreement, dated as of August 23, 2002, between Perryville and MAI			
Support Group	Cleco Support Group LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Corporation			
SWEPCO	Southwestern Electric Power Company			
Teche	Teche Electric Cooperative, Inc.			
VaR	Value-at-risk			
Williams	Williams Power Company, Inc.			
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DISCLOSURE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report on Form 10-K includes "forward-looking statements" about future events, circumstances, and results. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this Annual Report are forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, statements regarding the construction, timing and cost of Rodemacher Unit 3, future capital expenditures, and future environmental regulations. Although the Registrants believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, such forward-looking statements are based on numerous assumptions (some of which may prove to be incorrect) and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause the actual results to differ materially from the Registrants' expectations. In addition to any assumptions and other factors referred to specifically in connection with these forward-looking statements, the following list identifies some of the factors that could cause the Registrants' actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in any of the Registrants' forward-looking statements:

- § Factors affecting utility operations, such as unusual weather conditions or other natural phenomena; catastrophic weather-related damage (such as hurricanes and other storms); unscheduled generation outages; unanticipated maintenance or repairs; unanticipated changes to fuel costs, cost of and reliance on natural gas as a component of Cleco's generation fuel mix and their impact on competition and franchises, fuel supply costs or availability constraints due to higher demand, shortages, transportation problems or other developments; environmental incidents; or power transmission system constraints;
- § Cleco Corporation's holding company structure and its dependence on the earnings, dividends, or distributions from its subsidiaries to meet its debt obligations and pay dividends on its common stock;
- § Cleco Power's ability to construct, operate, and maintain, within its projected costs (including financing) and
 timeframe, Rodemacher Unit 3, in addition to any other self-build projects identified in future IRP and RFP
 processes;
- § Dependence of Cleco Power for energy from sources other than its facilities and the uncertainty of future long-term sources of such additional energy;
- § Nonperformance by and creditworthiness of counterparties under tolling, power purchase, and energy service agreements, or the restructuring of those agreements, including possible termination;
 - § Outcome of the Calpine Debtors bankruptcy filing and its effect on agreements with Acadia;
 - § The final amount of storm restoration costs and storm reserve, if any, approved by the LPSC and the method through which such amounts can be recovered from Cleco Power's customers;
- § The final amount of recoverable lignite costs, as approved by the LPSC, that are currently deferred by Cleco Power;
- § Regulatory factors such as changes in rate-setting policies, recovery of investments made under traditional regulation, the frequency and timing of rate increases or decreases, the results of periodic fuel audits, the results of IRP and RFP processes, the formation of RTOs and ICTs, and the establishment by an ERO of reliability standards for bulk power systems and compliance with these standards by Cleco Power, Acadia, Attala, Evangeline, and Perryville;
- § Financial or regulatory accounting principles or policies imposed by the FASB, the SEC, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, the FERC, the LPSC or similar entities with regulatory or accounting oversight;

- § Economic conditions, including the ability of customers to continue paying for high energy costs, related growth and/or down-sizing of businesses in Cleco's service area, monetary fluctuations, changes in commodity prices, and inflation rates;
 - § Credit ratings of Cleco Corporation, Cleco Power, and Evangeline;
- § Changing market conditions and a variety of other factors associated with physical energy, financial transactions, and energy service activities, including, but not limited to, price, basis, credit, liquidity, volatility, capacity, transmission, interest rates, and warranty risks;

§ Acts of terrorism;

- § Availability or cost of capital resulting from changes in Cleco's business or financial condition, interest rates, or market perceptions of the electric utility industry and energy-related industries;
 - § Employee work force factors, including work stoppages and changes in key executives;
- § Legal, environmental, and regulatory delays and other obstacles associated with mergers, acquisitions, capital projects, reorganizations, or investments in joint ventures;
- § Costs and other effects of legal and administrative proceedings, settlements, investigations, claims and other matters;
- § Changes in federal, state, or local legislative requirements, such as the adoption of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, and changes in tax laws or rates, regulating policies or environmental laws and regulations; and

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§ Ability of Cleco Power to recover, from its retail customers, the costs of compliance with environmental laws and regulations.

For additional discussion of these factors and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in the Registrants' forward-looking statements, please read Item 1A, "Risk Factors" and Part II, Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Cleco Power — Significant Factors Affecting Cleco Power" and "— Midstream — Significant Factors Affecting Midstream," located within this Annual Report.

All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to the Registrants or persons acting on their behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the factors identified above.

The Registrants undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of changes in actual results, changes in assumptions, or other factors affecting such statements.

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PART I

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

GENERAL

Cleco Corporation was incorporated on October 30, 1998, under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Cleco Corporation is a public utility holding company which holds investments in several subsidiaries, including Cleco Power and Midstream, which are its operating business segments. Cleco Corporation, subject to certain limited exceptions, is exempt from regulation as a public utility holding company pursuant to provisions of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005, which became effective in early 2006.

Cleco Power's predecessor was incorporated on January 2, 1935, under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Cleco Power was organized on December 12, 2000. Cleco Power is an electric utility engaged principally in the generation, transmission, distribution and sale of electricity within Louisiana. Cleco Power is regulated by the LPSC and the FERC, among other regulators, which determine the rates Cleco Power can charge its customers. Cleco Power serves approximately 268,000 customers in 104 communities in central and southeastern Louisiana. Cleco Power's operations are described below in the consolidated description of Cleco's business segments.

Midstream, organized effective September 1, 1998, under the laws of the State of Louisiana, is a merchant energy subsidiary that owns and operates a merchant generation station, invests in a joint venture that owns and operates a merchant generation station, and owns and operates transmission interconnection facilities. On January 22, 2007, the FERC approved the transfer of the ownership interests of Midstream's transmission interconnection facilities to Cleco Corporation. The transfer was effective February 1, 2007. For additional information, see Part II, Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data — Notes to the Financial Statements — Note 24 — Subsequent Events — Organizational Change."

At December 31, 2006, Cleco employed 1,167 people. Cleco's mailing address is P.O. Box 5000, Pineville, Louisiana 71361-5000, and its telephone number is (318) 484-7400. Cleco's homepage on the Internet is located at http://www.cleco.com. Cleco Corporation's and Cleco Power's Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and other filings with the SEC are available, free of charge, through Cleco's website after those reports or filings are filed electronically with or furnished to the SEC. Cleco's corporate governance guidelines, code of business conduct, ethics and business standards, and the charters of its board of directors' audit, compensation, executive, finance, nominating/governance and qualified legal compliance committees are available on its website and available in print to any shareholder upon request. Cleco's filings also can be obtained at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Room 1580, Washington, DC 20549. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. Cleco's electronically filed reports also can be obtained on the SEC's Internet site located at http://www.sec.gov. Information on Cleco's website or any other website is not incorporated by reference into this Report and does not constitute a part of this Report. At December 31, 2006, Cleco Power employed 909 people. Cleco Power's mailing address is P.O. Box 5000, Pineville, Louisiana, 71361-5000, and its telephone number is (318) 484-7400.

Cleco Power meets the conditions specified in General Instructions I(1)(a) and (b) to Form 10-K and therefore is permitted to use the reduced disclosure format for wholly owned subsidiaries of reporting companies. Accordingly, Cleco Power has omitted from this Report the information called for by Item 4 (Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders) of Part I of Form 10-K; the following Part II items of Form 10-K: Item 6 (Selected Financial Data) and Item 7 (Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations); and the following Part III items of Form 10-K: Item 10 (Directors, Executive Officers, and Corporate Governance of the Registrants), Item 11 (Executive Compensation), Item 12 (Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters), and Item 13 (Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence).

OPERATIONS

Cleco Power

Segment Financial Information
Financial results of the Cleco Power segment for years 2006, 2005, and 2004 are presented below.

(THOUSANDS)	2006	2005	2004
Revenue			
Electric operations	\$ 959,393	\$ 874,557	\$ 718,151
Other operations	30,056	38,357	30,165
Electric customer credits	4,693	(992)	(20,889)
Affiliate revenue	49	49	22
Intercompany revenue	2,000	2,002	1,860
Operating revenue, net	\$ 996,191	\$ 913,973	\$ 729,309
Depreciation expense	\$ 73,360	\$ 58,696	\$ 56,731
Interest charges	\$ 36,250	\$ 27,593	\$ 28,445
Interest income	\$ 7,425	\$ 4,355	\$ 3,561
Federal and state income taxes	\$ 33,059	\$	