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Form 990

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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OMB No 1545-0047

2018

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2019 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2018 , and ending 12-31-2018

B Check if applicable

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

☐ Initial return

☐ Final return/terminated

☐ Amended return

☐ Application pending

C Name of organization

MINNESOTA BIO-FUELS ASSOCIATION INC

Doing business as

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)

Room/suite

3033 EXCELSIOR BLVD

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416

F Name and address of principal officer

TIMOTHY J RUDNICKI

D Employer identification number

45-2380387

E Telephone number

(612) 888-9138

G Gross receipts \$ 724,787

I Tax-exempt status

☐ 501(c)(3)

☒ 501(c) (6) ◀(insert no)

☐ 4947(a)(1) or

☐ 527

J Website: ▶ MNBIOFUELS.ORG

K Form of organization

☒ Corporation

☐ Trust

☐ Association

☐ Other ▶

L Year of formation 2011

M State of legal domicile MN

Part I

Summary

Activities & Governance

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities

REPRESENTED THE MINNESOTA RENEWABLE BIOFUELS INDUSTRY WHICH SUPPORTED 20,137 JOBS, GENERATED \$1.7 BILLION WORTH OF INCOME FOR MINNESOTA HOUSEHOLDS AND CONTRIBUTED \$204 MILLION TO TAX ROLLS. COLLABORATED WITH STAKEHOLDERS ON PROJECTS TO SUPPORT EDUCATIONAL, RESEARCH AND OUTREACH INITIATIVES AIMED AT FURTHER BOOSTING THE ECONOMY, PROVIDING RENEWABLE BIOFUEL CHOICES FOR CONSUMERS, INCREASING ENERGY SECURITY AND REDUCING GREENHOUSE GASES

2 Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)

4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)

5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2018 (Part V, line 2a)

6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)

7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12

7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34

Revenue

8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)

9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)

10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)

11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)

12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)

Expenses

13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)

14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)

15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)

16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)

b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶0

17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)

18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)

19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12

Net Assets or Fund Balances

20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)

21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)

22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20

Part II

Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer

BRIAN KLETSCHER, President

Type or print name and title

2019-11-13

Date

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date

Check ☐ if self-employed

PTIN P00265408

Firm's name ▶ CHARLES E SCHNEIDER CPA LTD

Firm's EIN ▶ 41-1826129

Firm's address ▶ 5402 PARKDALE DR SUITE 100

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 554161608

Phone no. (612) 929-7004

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) ☒ Yes ☐ No

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☐

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

TO SUPPORT AND REPRESENT THE RENEWABLE BIOFUELS INDUSTRY IN MINNESOTA AND THEREBY PROMOTE CLEANER ENERGY FOR A GREENER AND MORE ENERGY INDEPENDENT AMERICA

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ►

Form 990 (2018)		Yes	No
Part IV	Checklist of Required Schedules		
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1	No
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?	2	No
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I 	3	No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III 	5	Yes
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I 	6	No
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II 	7	No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III 	8	No
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV 	9	No
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V 	10	No
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI 	11a	Yes
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII 	11b	No
c	Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII 	11c	No
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX 	11d	No
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 	11e	Yes
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 	11f	No
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII 	12a	No
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional 	12b	No
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	No
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	14b	No
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15	No
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	16	No
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)	17	No
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18	No
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a	No
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b	
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21	No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	No

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	23 Yes	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>	24a	No
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	No
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c	No
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	No
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a	
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b	
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26	No
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27	No
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a	No
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b	No
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c	No
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29	No
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	30	No
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31	No
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>	32	No
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	33	No
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	34	No
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a	No
b If 'Yes' to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35b	
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	36	
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>	37	No
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38 Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a 4	
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b 0	
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c Yes	

2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		2a	3			
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)				2b	Yes	
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?				3a		No
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O				3b		No
4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?				4a		No
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)						
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?				5a		No
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?				5b		No
c If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?				5c		
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?				6a	Yes	
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?				6b	Yes	
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).						
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?				7a		
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?				7b		
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?				7c		
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year				7d		
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?				7e		
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?				7f		
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?				7g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?				7h		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?						
				8		No
9a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?				9a		No
b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?				9b		No
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter						
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12				10a		
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities				10b		
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter						
a Gross income from members or shareholders				11a		
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)				11b		
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?						
b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year				12b		No
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.						
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O				13a		No
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans				13b		
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand				13c		
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?				14a		No
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O				14b		
15 Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N						
				15		No
16 Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O						
				16		No

Part VI

Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI ☒

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	1a 9		
If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O			
b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	1b 9		
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2		No
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3		No
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4		No
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5		No
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	Yes	
7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a		No
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b		No
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:			
a The governing body?	8a	Yes	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes	
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O.	9		No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

	Yes	No
10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	No
b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b	
11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Yes
b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13.	12a	Yes
b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done.	12c	Yes
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	Yes
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Yes
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	No
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	No
b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed: _____

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024-A if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.

☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records:
 ▶TIMOTHY J RUDNICKI 3033 EXCELSIOR BLVD SUITE 208 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416 (612) 888-9138

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII ☐

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons

[illegible]

Part VII

(A)

Name and Title

(B)
Average
hours per
week (list
any hours
for related
organizations
below dotted
line)

(C)
Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)

Former
Highest compensated employee
Key employee
Officer
Institutional Trustee
Individual trustee or director

(D)
Reportable
compensation
from the
organization (W-
2/1099-MISC)

(E)
Reportable
compensation
from related
organizations (W-
2/1099-MISC)

(F)
Estimated
amount of other
compensation
from the
organization and
related
organizations

1b Sub-Total	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A	
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ► 1

3 Did the organization list any **former** officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual*

4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual*

5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person*

Section B. Independent Contractors

Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ▶ 0

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII ☐

**Contributions, Gifts, Grants
and Other Similar Amounts**

	(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514
1a Federated campaigns	1a			
b Membership dues	1b	724,743		
c Fundraising events	1c			
d Related organizations	1d			
e Government grants (contributions)	1e			
f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f			
g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a - 1f \$				
h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		724,743		

Program Service Revenue

	Business Code				
2a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
f All other program service revenue		0			
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f					

Other Revenue

3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		44			44
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0			
5 Royalties		0			
6a Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
b Less rental expenses					
c Rental income or (loss)					
d Net rental income or (loss)			0		
7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses					
c Gain or (loss)					
d Net gain or (loss)			0		
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a				
b Less direct expenses	b				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			0		
9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a				
b Less direct expenses	b				
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities			0		
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a				
b Less cost of goods sold	b				
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory			0		
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code				
11a					
b					
c					
d All other revenue					
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			0		
12 Total revenue. See Instructions		724,787			44

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☐

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.				
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21.	3,405			
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22.	0			
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, line 15 and 16.	0			
4 Benefits paid to or for members.	0			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees.	163,609			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).	0			
7 Other salaries and wages.	100,918			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions).	1,239			
9 Other employee benefits.	16,967			
10 Payroll taxes.	18,282			
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management.	0			
b Legal.	7,928			
c Accounting.	3,500			
d Lobbying.	52,423			
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.	0			
f Investment management fees.	0			
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O).	3,296			
12 Advertising and promotion.	0			
13 Office expenses.	2,296			
14 Information technology.	4,021			
15 Royalties.	0			
16 Occupancy.	28,054			
17 Travel.	13,176			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.	0			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings.	0			
20 Interest.	0			
21 Payments to affiliates.	0			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	5,090			
23 Insurance.	2,825			
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O):				
a EDUCATION & OUTREACH	100,924			
b FUEL SUPPLY CHAIN PROJECT	87,261			
c RESEARCH & STUDIES	22,080			
d DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS	5,665			
e All other expenses	15,385			
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e.	658,344	0	0	0
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).				

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	359,164	1	486,541
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	0
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	0
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	4,500
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	0
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	0
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	7,777
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment—cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 33,522		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 25,220	6,386	10c 8,302
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11	0
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	0
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	0
	14 Intangible assets		14	0
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	0
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	365,550	16	507,120	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	3,681	17	11,684
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17 - 24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	10,000	25	77,124
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	13,681	26	88,808
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	351,869	27	418,312
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	351,869	33	418,312	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	365,550	34	507,120	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☐

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	724,787
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	658,344
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	66,443
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	351,869
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	418,312

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis		No
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis		No
c If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O		
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

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Form 990 (2018)

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:

CONTRACTED WITH A SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT TO RESEARCH BARRIERS TO AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR BIOFUELS TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE MINNESOTA MARKETPLACE VIA A COMPREHENSIVE DISTRIBUTION NETWORK SUPPORTED THREE STAFF POSITIONS WHICH DEVELOPED AND IMPLEMENTED PROJECTS TO FURTHER ADVANCE THE ORGANIZATIONAL MISSION INCLUDING VIA FOUR SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS, 15 8 MILLION AD IMPRESSIONS, OUTREACH TO AND ENGAGEMENT WITH EIGHTEEN SCHOOLS AND 417 STUDENTS AND THREE MAJOR PROJECTS DESIGNED TO BOLSTER THE STATUTORY FRAMEWORK FOR RENEWABLE BIOFUELS SO AS TO BOOST THE LOCAL ECONOMY, ENHANCE ENERGY SECURITY AND REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IN THE TRANSPORTATION SECTOR

Form 990, Part III, Line 4b:

ACTUALIZED PROJECTS TO BOLSTER EFFECTIVENESS OF PUBLIC PRIVATE INVESTMENTS IN BIOFUEL STORAGE AND DISPENSING INFRASTRUCTURE CREATED INFORMATIONAL AND TRAINING MATERIAL AND PROVIDED TRAINING FOR SOME OF THE 18 BRANDS OFFERING THE LOWER CARBON BIOFUELS THEREBY ADVANCING THE ORGANIZATIONAL MISSION HELPING TO FULFILL THE AIMS OF VARIOUS STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶Complete if the organization is described below. ▶Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
- Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Name of the organization MINNESOTA BIO-FUELS ASSOCIATION INC	Employer identification number 45-2380387
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1** Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV (see instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")
- 2** Political campaign activity expenditures (see instructions) ▶ \$
- 3** Volunteer hours for political campaign activities (see instructions) ▶

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1** Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$
- 2** Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$
- 3** If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 4a** Was a correction made? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1** Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$
- 2** Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$
- 3** Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$
- 4** Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 5** Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC) If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0-
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

A Check ☐ if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)

B Check ☐ if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures
(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)**(a)** Filing
organization's
totals**(b)** Affiliated
group totals**1a** Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)**b** Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)**c** Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)**d** Other exempt purpose expenditures**e** Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)**f** Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns

If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000

g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)**h** Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-**i** Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-**j** If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?☐ **Yes** ☐ **No****4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)****(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)****Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity

		(a)		(b)
		Yes	No	Amount
1	During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a	Volunteers?			
b	Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c	Media advertisements?			
d	Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e	Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f	Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g	Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h	Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i	Other activities?			
j	Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a	Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d	If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

		Yes	No
1	Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?		No
2	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?		No
3	Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	Yes	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1	Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	724,743
2	Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a	Current year	2a	122,106
b	Carryover from last year	2b	
c	Total	2c	122,106
3	Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	173,938
4	If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, Part II-A (affiliated group list), Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE D (Form 990) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service		Supplemental Financial Statements ► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. ► Attach to Form 990. ► Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.			OMB No 1545-0047 2018 Open to Public Inspection
Name of the organization MINNESOTA BIO-FUELS ASSOCIATION INC				Employer identification number 45-2380387	
Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.					
		(a) Donor advised funds		(b) Funds and other accounts	
1		Total number at end of year			
2		Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)			
3		Aggregate value of grants from (during year)			
4		Aggregate value at end of year			
5		Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes ☐ No			
6		Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes ☐ No			
Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.					
1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply) ☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education) ☐ Preservation of an historically important land area ☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure ☐ Preservation of open space					
2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year					
				Held at the End of the Year	
a Total number of conservation easements				2a	
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements				2b	
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)				2c	
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register				2d	
3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ►					
4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ►					
5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►					
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$					
8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements					
Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.					
1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items					
b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items					
(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$					
(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$					
2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items					
a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$					
b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$					
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.					
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Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3

Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

a

☐ Public exhibition

b

☐ Scholarly research

c

☐ Preservation for future generations

d

☐ Loan or exchange programs

e

☐ Other

4

Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII

5

During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Part IV

Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a

Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a

Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? . . .

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

☐

Part V

Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current year	(b)Prior year	(c)Two years back	(d)Three years back	(e)Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶

b

Permanent endowment ▶

c

Temporarily restricted endowment ▶

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

3a

Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

(i)

unrelated organizations

(ii)

related organizations

b

If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

4

Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI

Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		680	340	340
d Equipment		23,361	15,556	7,805
e Other		9,481	9,324	157
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c)) . . . ▶				8,302

Part VII

Investments—Other Securities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b.
See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12) ▶		

Part VIII

Investments—Program Related.
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13) ▶		

Part IX

Other Assets. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15) ▶	

Part X

Other Liabilities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f.
See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value	
(1) Federal income taxes		
UNEARNED INCOME	77,124	
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25) ▶	77,124	

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740) Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII ☐

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1		
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		2e		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a			
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b			
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c			
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d			
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e		
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3		
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		4c		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a			
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b			
c	Add lines 4a and 4b				
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)		5		

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1		
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		2e		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a			
b	Prior year adjustments	2b			
c	Other losses	2c			
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d			
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e		
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3		
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :		4c		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a			
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b			
c	Add lines 4a and 4b				
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)		5		

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation	
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Part XIII	Supplemental Information <i>(continued)</i>
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Return Reference	Explanation
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Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

OMB No 1545-0047

2018

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

- For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**
- ▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.**
▶ **Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.**

Name of the organization
MINNESOTA BIO-FUELS ASSOCIATION INC

Employer identification number
45-2380387

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items

- | | |
|--|--|
| ☐ First-class or charter travel | ☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| ☐ Travel for companions | ☐ Payments for business use of personal residence |
| ☐ Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | ☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| ☐ Discretionary spending account | ☐ Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

b If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III

- | | |
|--|---|
| ☐ Compensation committee | ☐ Written employment contract |
| ☐ Independent compensation consultant | ☒ Compensation survey or study |
| ☐ Form 990 of other organizations | ☒ Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization

a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?

b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?

c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?

If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III

Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.

5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of

a The organization?

b Any related organization?

If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III

6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of

a The organization?

b Any related organization?

If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III

7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

Yes No

1b

2

4a

No

4b

No

4c

No

5a

5b

6a

6b

7

8

9

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

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Part III **Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

SCHEDULE O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ. ▶ Go to <u>www.irs.gov/Form990</u> for the latest information.	OMB No 1545-0047 2018 Open to Public Inspection
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Name of the organization MINNESOTA BIO-FUELS ASSOCIATION INC	Employer identification number 45-2380387
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990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Line 6 Explanation of Classes of Members or Shareholder	There are no stockholders MBA consists of Board Members (Biofuel Producers), VendorMembers, Supporting Members and Individual Members Only Producer Membershave voting rights to approve the operating budget and determine the organization's operations and strategic goals

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b Form 990 Review Process	The Form 990 was reviewed by the Association's Executive Director with a pdf file given to the Board for its review of the Form 990 prior to filing

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c Explanation of Monitoring and Enforcement of Conflicts	The conflict of interest policy is distributed annually to all board members. An inquiry is made at all board meetings if any board member had an actual or possible conflict of interest arise at any time since the prior board meeting.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Line 15a Compensation Review & Approval Process - CEO, Top Management	The compensation of the executive director is determined by the board of directors. Salary surveys are used for comparability data and the board documents all steps taken in the process of determining the executive director's compensation.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 Other Organization Documents Publicly Available	The association's application for tax-exempt status and the 2011 through 2018 form 990 are available upon request