

Form **990-PF****Return of Private Foundation**
or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

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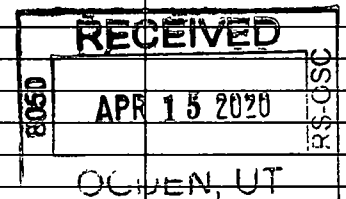
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For calendar year 2019 or tax year beginning

, and ending

Name of foundation ESS FAMILY FOUNDATION		A Employer identification number 41-1975420
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 9350 COUNTY ROAD 19	Room/suite	B Telephone number (see instructions) 763-478-2027
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code LORETTO MN 55357		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>
G Check all that apply <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Name change		D 1 Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/>
H Check type of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) ▶ \$ 202,519	J Accounting method <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____	F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	22,028			
	2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	4	4		
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	1,890	1,890		
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss)				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	322			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	1,988			
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		322		
	8 Net short-term capital gain			0	
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
b Less Cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)					
11 Other income (attach schedule) Stmt 1	12	12			
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	24,256	2,228	0		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0			
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule) Stmt 2	1,200			
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions) Stmt 3	123	88		
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (att sch) Stmt 4	32	7		
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	1,355	95	0	0
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	25,445			25,445
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	26,800	95	0	25,445	
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	-2,544				
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		2,133			
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			0		



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Part II Balance Sheets

Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only. (See instructions.)

			Beginning of year	End of year	
			(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1	Cash – non-interest-bearing	32,681	27,923	27,923
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	5,685	9,740	9,740
	3	Accounts receivable ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	4	Pledges receivable ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	5	Grants receivable			
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions)			
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (att schedule) ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8	Inventories for sale or use			
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a	Investments – U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b	Investments – corporate stock (attach schedule) See Stmt 5	110,816	108,671	143,580
	c	Investments – corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11	Investments – land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ 21,276 Less accumulated depreciation (attach sch) ▶ Stmt 6	21,276	21,276	21,276
	12	Investments – mortgage loans			
	13	Investments – other (attach schedule)			
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ Less accumulated depreciation (attach sch) ▶			
	15	Other assets (describe ▶ See Statement 7)	93		
	16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers – see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)	170,551	167,610	202,519
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18	Grants payable			
	19	Deferred revenue			
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
	23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	0	0	
Net Assets or Fund Balances		Foundations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here and complete lines 24, 25, 29, and 30. ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
	24	Net assets without donor restrictions	170,551	167,610	
	25	Net assets with donor restrictions			
		Foundations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here and complete lines 26 through 30. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
	26	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	27	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund			
	28	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	29	Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	170,551	167,610	
	30	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions)	170,551	167,610	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year – Part II, column (a), line 29 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	170,551
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-2,544
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	168,007
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ See Statement 8	5	397
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) – Part II, column (b), line 29	6	167,610

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (for example, real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)		(b) How acquired P – Purchase D – Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo , day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo , day, yr)
1a	ENCANA CORP	P	02/15/19	02/26/19
b	ARRIS INTL	P	08/11/17	04/05/19
c	AMERICAN ENTERPRISE INVESTMT			
d				
e				

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) ((e) plus (f) minus (g))
a 1		1	
b 1,969		1,665	304
c 18			18
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69

(i) FMV as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
a			
b			304
c			18
d			
e			

2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 </div>	2	322
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) See instructions If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		3	

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation doesn't qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see the instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2018	23,300	184,897	0.126016
2017	11,095	163,206	0.067982
2016	30,577	143,177	0.213561
2015	25,476	139,590	0.182506
2014	24,645	136,228	0.180910

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	0.770975
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period – divide the total on line 2 by 5 0, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	0.154195
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2019 from Part X, line 5	4	181,916
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	28,051
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	21
7 Add lines 5 and 6	7	28,072
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate See the Part VI instructions	8	25,445

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 – see instructions)

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1 Date of ruling or determination letter (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)		
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1	43
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations, enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)		
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only, others, enter -0-)	2	0
3	Add lines 1 and 2	3	43
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only, others, enter -0-)	4	0
5	Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	5	43
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2019 estimated tax payments and 2018 overpayment credited to 2019	6a	14
b	Exempt foreign organizations – tax withheld at source	6b	
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c	
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d	
7	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	14
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached	8	
9	Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9	29
10	Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2020 estimated tax Refunded	11	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		X
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes? See the instructions for the definition. If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b , attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities		X
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers \$ _____		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers \$ _____		
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities		X
3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by <i>General Instruction T</i>		X
6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	X	
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV	X	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered. See instructions MN		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by <i>General Instruction G</i> ? If "No," attach explanation	X	
9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2019 or the tax year beginning in 2019? See instructions for Part XIV. If "Yes," complete Part XIV		X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses		X

N/A

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

	Yes	No
11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule See instructions		X
12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement See instructions		X
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ▶ N/A	X	
14 The books are in care of ▶ TROY ESS 9350 COUNTY ROAD 19 Located at ▶ LORETTO MN ZIP+4 ▶ 55357 Telephone no ▶ 763-478-2027		
15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 – check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year ▶ 15		
16 At any time during calendar year 2019, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114 If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶		X

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

	Yes	No
1a During the year, did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)		
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here ▶ N/A		1b
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2019? ▶ N/A		1c
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))		
a At the end of tax year 2019, did the foundation have any undistributed income (Part XIII, lines 6d and 6e) for tax year(s) beginning before 2019? If "Yes," list the years ▶ 20 , 20 , 20 , 20	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement – see instructions)		2b
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here ▶ 20 , 20 , 20 , 20		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2019 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Form 4720, Schedule C, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2019)		3b
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?		4a
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2019?		4b

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

		Yes	No
5a	During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to		
(1)	Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(2)	Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(3)	Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(4)	Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? See instructions	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(5)	Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions. Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
c	If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d)	N/A <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
6a	Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
b	Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870		X
7a	At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
b	If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?	N/A	
8	Is the foundation 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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors**1 List all officers, directors, trustees, and foundation managers and their compensation. See instructions.**

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
See Statement 9				

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1 – see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000

0

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors *(continued)***3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services. See instructions. If none, enter "NONE."**

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶**Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities**

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.

	Expenses
1 N/A	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2

	Amount
1 N/A	
2	
All other program-related investments. See instructions.	
3	

Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ▶

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	139,910
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	23,500
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)	1c	21,276
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	184,686
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	0
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	0
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	184,686
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1½% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	2,770
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	181,916
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	9,096

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations, check here ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	9,096
2a	Tax on investment income for 2019 from Part VI, line 5	2a	43
b	Income tax for 2019 (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	43
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	9,053
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	9,053
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	9,053

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. – total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	25,445
b	Program-related investments – total from Part IX-B	1b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	25,445
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b. See instructions.	5	0
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	25,445

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2018	(c) 2018	(d) 2019
1 Distributable amount for 2018 from Part XI, line 7				9,053
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2019				
a Enter amount for 2018 only				
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2019				
a From 2014	17,961			
b From 2015	18,668			
c From 2016	23,431			
d From 2017	3,303			
e From 2018	14,078			
f Total of lines 3a through e	77,441			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2019 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 25,445				
a Applied to 2018, but not more than line 2a				
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required – see instructions)				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required – see instructions)				
d Applied to 2019 distributable amount				9,053
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	16,392			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2019 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))				
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	93,833			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b				
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount – see instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2018 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount – see instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2019 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2020				0
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required—see instructions)				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2014 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions)	17,961			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2020. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	75,872			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2015	18,668			
b Excess from 2016	23,431			
c Excess from 2017	3,303			
d Excess from 2018	14,078			
e Excess from 2019	16,392			

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a Paid during the year				
SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC 41 EAST FIRST STREET WACONIA MN 55387	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	8,045
OUR LADY OF THE LAKE 2385 COMMERCE BOULEVARD MOUND MN 55364	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	10,000
SMILE TRAIN 41 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK NY 10010	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	500
SALVATION ARMY 910 NORTH 4TH STREET MINNEAPOLIS MN 55401	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	1,000
LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR 330 EXCHANGE STREET SOUTH SAINT PAUL MN 55102	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	1,000
SCALPEL AT THE CROSS PO BOX 558436 MIAMI FL 33255	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	1,000
JUDICIAL WATCH 425 THIRD STREET NW WASHINGTON DC 20024	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	100
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA 3501 UNIVERSITY AVENUE GRAND FORKS ND 58202	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	100
COLLEGE OF SAINT BENEDICT 37 COLLEGE AVENUE SAINT JOSEPH MN 55387	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	100
DELANO AREA SCHOLARSHIP ASSOC PO BOX 408 DELANO MN 55328	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	100
Total			3a	25,445
b Approved for future payment N/A				
Total			3b	

Part XV **Supplementary Information** (continued)**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH 2700 NORTH MILITARY TRAIL BOCA RATON FL 33427	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	500
FOOD ALLERGY RESEARCH & EDUCATION 7901 JONES BRANCH DRIVE MCLEAN VA 22102	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	2,000
MOUND WESTONKA HOCKEY ASSN PO BOX 266 MOUND MN 55364	NONE	PUBLIC CHAR	OPERATING	1,000
Total			▶ 3a	
b <i>Approved for future payment</i> N/A				
Total			▶ 3b	

Schedule of Contributors

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2019

▶ Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

ESS FAMILY FOUNDATION

41-1975420

Organization type (check one)

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

- ☐ 501(c)() (enter number) organization
- ☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation
- ☐ 527 political organization

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- ☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
- ☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
- ☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

Note: Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

- ☒ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33¹/₃% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000, or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$

Caution: An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization

ESS FAMILY FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

41-1975420**Part I Contributors** (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	TROY ESS 6225 PIONEER TRAIL LORETTO MN 55357	\$ 5,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
2	TIFFANY IMKER 1734 SANDBAR CIRCLE WACONIA MN 55387	\$ 16,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)

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Statement 1 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 11 - Other Income

Description	Revenue per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
INVESTMENTS & INFRASTRUCTURE	\$ 12	\$ 12	\$
Total	\$ 12	\$ 12	\$ 0

Statement 2 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 16b - Accounting Fees

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
RETURN PREPARATION	\$ 1,200	\$	\$	\$
Total	\$ 1,200	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Statement 3 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 18 - Taxes

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
SEC. 4940 TAX	\$ 35	\$	\$	\$
REAL PROPERTY TAX	86	86		
FOREIGN TAX ON DIVIDENDS	2	2		
Total	\$ 123	\$ 88	\$ 0	\$ 0

Statement 4 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 23 - Other Expenses

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
Expenses		\$	\$	
FILING FEE: MINN ATTORNEY GEN	25			
INVESTMENT FEES	7	7		
Total	\$ 32	\$ 7	\$ 0	\$ 0

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Statement 5 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 10b - Corporate Stock Investments

Description	Beginning of Year	End of Year	Basis of Valuation	Fair Market Value
	\$	\$		\$
ACTIVISION BLIZZARD	4,863	4,863	Cost	4,754
AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES	1,019	1,019	Cost	1,900
ALEXANDRIA REAL ESTATE EQ	1,909	1,909	Cost	2,585
CSX CORP	3,123	3,123	Cost	4,486
CUMMINS INC	3,105	3,105	Cost	3,579
DR HORTON	2,634	2,634	Cost	3,851
DARDEN RESTAURANTS	1,663	1,663	Cost	2,180
EASTMAN CHEMICAL	2,001	2,001	Cost	1,902
EATON VANCE CP	1,276	1,276	Cost	1,261
ECHOSTAR CORP	1,417	1,145	Cost	1,083
FACTSET RESEARCH SYS	2,062	2,062	Cost	3,488
FLEXTRONICS	1,956	1,956	Cost	1,577
GATX CORP	1,176	1,176	Cost	1,574
GLOBAL PAYMENT INC	2,805	2,805	Cost	5,477
HESS CORP	1,118	1,118	Cost	1,804
HUMANA INC	2,009	2,009	Cost	2,932
HUNTINGTON INDUSTRIES	2,352	2,352	Cost	2,760
INTERCONTINENTAL EXCHANGE GRP	3,388	3,388	Cost	4,813
INTUIT	3,702	3,702	Cost	7,072
KEYCORP	2,182	2,182	Cost	2,530
LABORATORY CP AMERICA HLDGS	2,185	2,185	Cost	2,368
MASCO CORP	1,801	1,801	Cost	2,352
MEDNAX INC	1,069	1,069	Cost	695
MURPHY OIL CORP	1,723	1,723	Cost	1,608
NEWFIELD EXPL CO	1,012		Cost	
NORTHERN TRUST	1,219	1,219	Cost	1,487
ON SEMICONDUCTOR	2,290	2,290	Cost	3,535
ONEOK INC	2,230	2,151	Cost	3,027
PROGRESSIVE CORP OHIO	2,269	2,269	Cost	3,475
ALLEGHENY TECH	574	574	Cost	661
AMERICAN TOWER REIT	4,377	4,377	Cost	7,354
APACHE CORP	1,185	1,185	Cost	716
ARRIS INTL	1,665		Cost	
AVNET INC	1,661	1,661	Cost	1,910
BLACK KNIGHT INC	2,064	2,064	Cost	3,224
BORG WARNER	1,874	1,874	Cost	1,822
BOSTON PROPERTIES	1,193	1,193	Cost	1,379
CBRE GROUP	1,677	1,677	Cost	2,881
CF INDUSTRIES HOLDINGS	976	976	Cost	1,528

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Statement 5 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 10b - Corporate Stock Investments (continued)

Description	Beginning of Year	End of Year	Basis of Valuation	Fair Market Value
CHARLES RIVER LABS	\$ 2,160	2,160	Cost	3,361
CONTINENTAL RESOURCES	1,676	1,676	Cost	1,681
RAYMOND JAMES	2,145	2,145	Cost	2,415
REINSURANCE CORP OF AMERICA	1,935	1,935	Cost	2,283
RENAISSANCE HOLDINGS	1,775	1,775	Cost	2,352
ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISES	2,808	2,808	Cost	3,204
SEALED AIR CORP	2,115	2,115	Cost	1,912
SNAP-ON INC	2,140	2,140	Cost	2,372
SONOCO PRODUCTS	1,344	1,344	Cost	1,728
STERLING BANCORP	1,159	1,159	Cost	1,117
STIFEL FINANCIAL	1,394	1,394	Cost	1,698
SYNOPSIS INC	2,518	2,518	Cost	4,594
SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO	1,432	1,432	Cost	1,593
TJX COMPANIES	2,637	2,637	Cost	4,518
WEC ENERGY GROUP	1,495	1,495	Cost	2,214
XILINX INC	2,317	2,317	Cost	3,617
NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO	962	962	Cost	626
DISH NETWORK	231	231	Cost	177
ENCANA CORP	652	652	Cost	488
Total	\$ 110,816	\$ 108,671		\$ 143,580

Statement 6 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 11 - Land, Building, and Equipment Investments

Description	Beginning Net Book	End Cost / Basis	End Accumulated Depreciation	Net FMV
LAND, CARVER COUNTY, MN	\$ 21,276	\$ 21,276	\$	\$ 21,276
Total	\$ 21,276	\$ 21,276	\$ 0	\$ 21,276

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<u>Description</u>	<u>Beginning of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>	<u>Fair Market Value</u>
SEC.4940 TAX OVERPMT APPLIED TO 2018	\$ 2	\$	\$
AMERICAN ENTERPRISE: CLEARING ADJ	91		
Total	\$ 93	\$ 0	\$ 0

Statement 8 - Form 990-PF, Part III, Line 5 - Other Decreases

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AMERICAN ENTERPRISE: CLEARING ADJ	\$ 397
Total	\$ 397

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Statement 9 - Form 990-PF, Part VIII, Line 1 - List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Etc.

Name and Address	Title	Average Hours	Compensation	Benefits	Expenses
JUDITH A. ESS 9761 ROOKERY CIRCLE ESTERO FL 33928	CO-CHAIR	0.00	0	0	0
TIFFANY A. IMKER 1743 SANDBAR CIRCLE WACONIA MN 55387	TREASURER	0.00	0	0	0
TRENT ESS 2066 SHOREWOOD DRIVE MOUND MN 55364	CO-CHAIR	0.00	0	0	0
TROY ESS 9350 COUNTY ROAD 19 LORETTO MN 55357	VICE-CHAIR	0.00	0	0	0
KIMBERLY WRIGHT 2012 PINE RIDGE DRIVE WEST SAINT PAUL MN 55118	SECRETARY	0.00	0	0	0

Statement 10 - Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 1a - Managers Who Contributed Over 2% or \$5,000

Name of Manager	Amount
THOMAS W..ESS, DEC.	\$
JUDITH A. ESS	
Total	\$ 0