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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Polar Presents \$360,000 Check to First Care Health Center**

**PARK RIVER, ND – September 8, 2006** – Polar Communications General Manager/CEO, David Dunning, presented a check for \$360,000 to Louise Dryburgh, CEO of First Care Health Center in Park River. The check is the result of the approval of a Rural Development Grant through United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) last September. Rural Development funds are used to provide rural utilities program borrowers, such as Polar, to provide economic development. The funds will assist in the nearly completed project renovating the hospital and clinic.

The grant was initiated by Polar Communications, which serves the local hospital. It consists of a 0% interest loan with 20% equity required from the community. This 20% will add an additional \$60,000 with \$30,000 each coming from Polar Communications and First Care Health Center. First Care Health Center will repay \$40,000 per year, which will remain in the community as a revolving loan for other economic development projects.

“This is outstanding not only for First Care Health Center, but the community as a whole,” said David Dunning, General Manager/CEO of Polar Communications and current Vice President of First Care Health Center’s Board of Directors. “This type of revolving no-interest loan fund opens many doors for future economic development opportunities.”



***L to R: Polar Communications General Manager/CEO David Dunning presents check to Louise Dryburgh, CEO of First Care Health Center.***