Banorte donates resources to the government of Sinaloa to help those affected by hurricane "lane"

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México City, October 18th. 2006. - Grupo Financiero Banorte presented the government of the state of Sinaloa, the amount collected during its campaign for fund raising for the inhabitants of Sinaloa, victims of hurricane "Lane" during its passing by that state last month.

Immediately after the above mentioned natural phenomenon took place, and once damages were known, Banorte habilitated account number 25 in the different branches of the network, so that customers and coworkers of the institution , as well as the general public could support the victims of Sinaloa, by means of tax deductible economic contributions. On the 9th of October, date of the last cut, such contributions had reached the amount of \$ 3, 224,017.79.

Banorte, on its behalf, and fulfilling with the commitment established with the Mexican people, especially with those undergoing difficult moments due to the attacks of nature, contributed with one peso per each peso deposited in the above mentioned account, thus the Government of the state of Sinaloa is receiving today a total amount of \$6, 448,035.58.

Luis Peña Kegel, Director General of Banorte, when presenting the corresponding checks to Jesús Alberto Aguilar Padilla, Governor of the state of Sinaloa, recalled that Banorte has been present in different events and natural disasters, "attending the society which we serve, not only with first level financial services and products, but with the solidarity required by the population during emergency situations".