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William A. Raaths

(FORM UPDATED: 08/11/2010)

WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ... PUBLIC HEARING - COMMITTEE RECORDS

2009-10

(session year)

Senate

(Assembly, Senate or Joint)

Committee on ... Transportation, Tourism, Forestry, and Natural Resources (SC-TTFNR)

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Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Forestry, and Natural Resources

Raaths, William, of Menasha, as a member of the Fox River Navigational System Authority, to serve for the term ending July 1, 2011.

January 06, 2009 Referred to Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Forestry, and Natural Resources.

February 19, 2009 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (7) Senators Holperin, Sullivan, Plale, Hansen, Leibham, Kedzie and Grothman.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- None.

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- Libby Gerds, Madison — Office of Governor Doyle

Registrations Against

- None.

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

February 19, 2009 **EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD**

Present: (7) Senators Holperin, Sullivan, Plale, Hansen, Leibham, Kedzie and Grothman.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Holperin that **Raaths, William** be recommended for confirmation.

Ayes: (7) Senators Holperin, Sullivan, Plale, Hansen, Leibham, Kedzie and Grothman.

Noes: (0) None.

CONFIRMATION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 7, Noes 0

Elizabeth Novak
Committee Clerk



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KEVIN J. KENNEDY
Director and General Counsel

8/1/2008

Senate Committee Members:

The attached Statement of Economic Interests is provided with regard to the individual's nomination to a State Public Office by Governor Jim Doyle.

Sincerely,
STATE OF WISCONSIN GOVERNMENT
ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD

Nominee: **Raaths, William A.**
Nomination Date: 7/31/2008

Statement of Economic Interest
 Filed in 2008 for calendar year 2007 by

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Raaths, William A.

Fox River Navigational System Authority
 Member Board of Directors

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Part A

As of December 31, 2007

1. INVESTMENTS

a) WISCONSIN DEFERRED COMPENSATION PROGRAM If you held an investment in a fund available within the Wisconsin Deferred Compensation Program, please place a checkmark next to each fund in which you held \$5,000 or more, whether held privately or through the Program.

Profile Series	More than \$50,000 or less	More than \$50,000	Small Cap	More than \$50,000 or less	More than \$50,000	Bond	More than \$50,000 or less	More than \$50,000
Vanguard Retirement 2045 Fund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	BGI Russell 2000 Index - Collective T	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	BGI US Debt Index Fund - Collective W	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vanguard Retirement 2035 Fund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	DFA US Micro Cap Fund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Federated US Government Securities 2-5yr	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vanguard Retirement 2025 Fund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mid Cap			Vanguard Long-term Investment Grade Adm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vanguard Retirement 2015 Fund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	BGI Mid Cap Equity Index - Collective W	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Money Market		
Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	T Rowe Price Mid Cap Growth Fund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vanguard Admiral Treasury Money Market	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
International			Large Cap			Fixed Returns for the Quarter		
American Funds Euro Pacific R5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Calvert Social Investment Equity I	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stable Value Fund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BGI EAFE Equity Index - Collective W	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fidelity Contra Fund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	FDIC Bank Option	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Vanguard Institutional Index Fund Plus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
			Vanguard Wellington Fund - Admiral	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

b) OTHER INVESTMENTS List stocks, bonds, limited partnerships, Wisconsin governmental securities, and mutual and money market funds in which you and your family's interest was valued at \$5,000 or more.

MUTUAL OR MONEY MARKET FUND

(check one) \$50,000 or less More than \$50,000

Advanced Equities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Columbia Acorn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Federated Money Mkt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FNB Corp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GCU's	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GNC Stock	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Great Lakes Investments LLC	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Legacy Trust	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NEW Capital Fund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Principled Fixed Fund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Santa Maria Notes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Santa Maria Warrants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sumnicht	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

- 4. BUSINESS PARTNERS** For each enterprise reported under Item 2, list its co-owners, partners, officers, and directors (other than yourself), unless the information is already registered with the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions.

Business	Partners, or officers and directors	City	State
Great Lakes Investments LLC	Mike Graverson	Cudahy	WI
Great Lakes Investments LLC	William Raaths	Cudahy	WI
National Tissue LLC	Mike Graverson	Milwaukee	WI
National Tissue LLC	William Raaths	Milwaukee	WI

- 5. NON-COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE** List the specific location of WISCONSIN REAL ESTATE in which you or your family had an interest (except your principal residence and real estate whose location you already listed in item 2).

Location of property Street address or fire number	Municipality or town	County	Nature of interest (e.g. own, lease, option, easement, land contract)
5199 21st Drive	Wild Rose	Waushara	OWN

- 6. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS** List organizations of which you or a family member was an officer or director (unless already listed in item 2).

Business or organization	City	State	Position
First National Bank Fox Cities	Menasha	WI	Director & Chair of Board
Great Northern Corp	Appleton	WI	CEO & Director
United Paper	Menasha	WI	Director

- 7. AGENT, REPRESENTATIVE OR SPOKESPERSON** List organizations that authorized you or a family member to represent them in their dealings with others as an attorney-at-law, agent, spokesperson, or representative (unless already listed in item 2, 3 or 6).

Business or organization	City	State

- 8. CREDITORS** List creditors to which you or your family owed \$5,000 or more. (check one)

Creditor	City	State	\$50,000 or less	More than \$50,000
Mar-I Bank	Appleton	WI	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
FNB	Menasha	WI	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

FILING NOTES -or- COMMENTS

If we saw an opportunity to clarify a prior report, we added comments or filing tips below. Please review any comments and make the appropriate corrections.

CERTIFICATION

I have read the accompanying instructions and certify that the information contained in this Statement of Economic Interests is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. If any part has been left blank, I have done so intentionally because there is nothing to report.

<u>William A Raaths</u>	Daytime phone #	<u>540-8717</u> (920) 831-2283
Signature of person filing	<u>2/27/08</u>	<u>braaths@greatnortherncorp.com</u>
	Date	E-mail address

The information sought in this form is required by §§19.43 and 19.44, *Wisconsin Statutes*. Failure to file a completed form may result in a forfeiture of up to \$500. Statements of Economic Interests are open for public inspection. The Government Accountability Board will notify you of the identity of any person who examines your Statement. In accordance with §15.04(1)(m), *Wisconsin Statutes*, the Government Accountability Board states that no personally identifiable information is likely to be used for purposes other than those for which it is collected.

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JIM DOYLE
GOVERNOR
STATE OF WISCONSIN

RAATHSW

July 31, 2008

To the Honorable, the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do reappoint William Raaths to be a Winnebago County/City of Menasha Resident on the Fox River Navigational System Authority to serve a term expiring July 1, 2011.

Mr. Raaths will be available to the Senate for hearings and my staff will assist in any way they can.

Respectfully submitted,


Jim Doyle
Governor



JIM DOYLE
GOVERNOR
STATE OF WISCONSIN

July 31, 2008

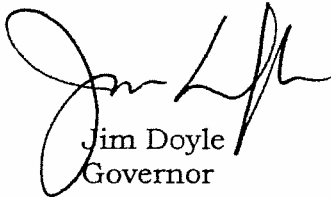
Mr. William Raaths
1234 Lakeshore Drive
Menasha, Wisconsin 54952

Dear Mr. Raaths:

I am pleased to reappoint you to the Fox River Navigational System Authority, effective July 31, 2008. Your experience, knowledge, and dedication continue to be a true asset to my administration and a great benefit to the people of Wisconsin.

I look forward to working with you to find creative ways of delivering services and implementing positive change for the citizens of our state.

Sincerely,



Jim Doyle
Governor

WILLIAM (BILL) RAATHS

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

Great Northern Corporation (GNC)

2008 - Present **Chairman of Board**

2002 - 2008 **Chief Executive Officer**

Leadership position of privately-owned \$250 million packaging solutions company. GNC has nine plants across the United States. Products and services include high-end graphics, point-of-purchase displays, protective packaging and more. GNC doubled in sales and profit from 2003 - 2008 through increased market share, start-up ventures and acquisitions.

McCain Snack Foods/Anchor Food Products

1999 - 2002 **Chief Executive Officer**

CEO of the world's largest frozen appetizer/snack foods company with \$600 million in sales, 2,000 employees, and six plants in the U.S. and Mexico. The company was created through the acquisition by McCain Foods Ltd. of the foodservice business of Anchor Food Products, Inc. combined with the existing McCain appetizer/snack business. As CEO, led the business through a major growth phase and led the overall integration effort. Less than one year after the acquisition, the new company was fully integrated into a market leading division of McCain USA, headquartered in Oak Brook, IL.

Georgia-Pacific/Chesapeake/Wisconsin Tissue

1995-1999 **President - Georgia-Pacific Tissue**

Top leadership position of a \$720 million foodservice/industrial division of Georgia-Pacific headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia. The company was created in 1999 following the acquisition of Chesapeake's Wisconsin Tissue and an existing division of Georgia-Pacific. Prior to the acquisition held the top leadership position of the \$420 million division of Chesapeake Corporation called Wisconsin Tissue. Led company from \$260 million in sales in 1994 to \$420 million in sales in 1999. Grew business from a single location in Wisconsin in 1994 to include locations in New York, Illinois, Arizona, and Mexico. As senior executive with Chesapeake, conducted numerous "Wall Street" presentations and interactions.

1989-1994 **President - Chesapeake Consumer Products Company**

Top leadership position of a \$40 million retail division of Chesapeake. The company was in a heavy loss position in 1989-1990 and was transformed to a profitable business selling to major retailers like Wal-Mart, Target, and Albertson's.

1985-1989 **Vice President Marketing Development and Vice President Finance - Wisconsin Tissue**

Philip Morris

1982-1985 **Director-Marketing Development - Wisconsin Tissue (a division of Philip Morris until its strategic sale to Chesapeake in 1985)**

1979-1982 **Director-Business Development with division of Philip Morris**

Fort Howard

1971-1979 **Held various positions in marketing, customer service, finance, contract sales and planning.**

WILLIAM (BILL) RAATHS

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EDUCATION

University of Virginia, The Executive Program, 1988

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh (M.B.A. in Marketing & Finance) 1974

University of Wisconsin-Madison (B.A. in Economics) 1969

Numerous courses through University of Wisconsin System and American Management Association

MILITARY SERVICE

1969-1971 - United States Army

Vietnam Veteran, Honorable Discharge, 1971

EXTERNAL ACTIVITIES

Current

Board of Directors, Great Northern Corporation, 2002 - Present (Chairman of Board 2008 - Present)

Board of Directors, First National Bank - Fox Valley, 2003 - Present (Chairman of Board 2007 - Present)

Board of Directors, United Paper Corporation, 2002 - Present

Board of Directors, YMCA Fox Cities, 2002 - Present

Board of Directors, St. Elizabeth Hospital Foundation, 2000 - Present

Rotary International, 1995 - Present

Board of Directors, Valley Packaging Inc., 1992 - Present

Past

Business School Instructor, UW-Oshkosh, 2002

Board of Directors, Fox Cities Chamber of Commerce, 1995, 2000 - 2002

Board of Directors, International Food Manufacturers Association (IFMA), 2002

Efficient Foodservice Response (EFR) Executive Committee, 2000 - 2001

Board of Directors, Boys & Girls Club, 1999 - 2000

Board of Directors, Anchor Bank, 1994 - 2000

Chairman, Fox Cities Education for Employment Council, 1993-94

Board of Directors, Fox Cities United Way, 1992-93

Board of Directors, Junior Achievement, 1989-93



JIM DOYLE
GOVERNOR
STATE OF WISCONSIN

GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT

NAME: William Raaths

MAILING ADDRESS: 1234 Lakeshore Drive
Menasha, WI 54952

E-MAIL ADDRESS: braaths@greatnortherncorp.com

RESIDES IN: Menasha, WI

TELEPHONE: 920.720.8973

OCCUPATION: Chairman of the Board
Great Northern Corporation

APPOINTED TO: Fox River Navigational System Authority
Winnebago County/City of Menasha Resident

TERM: A term to expire July 1, 2011

SUCCEEDS: Himself

SENATE CONFIRMATION: Yes

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: July 31, 2008

DATE OF NOMINATION: July 31, 2008