

STATE OF WISCONSIN

JIM DOYLE
GOVERNOR



January 17, 2003

To the Honorable, the Senate:

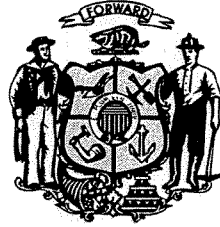
I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint Cynthia Brown to be a member of the Board of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to serve a term expiring May 1, 2007.

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

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Doyle".

JIM DOYLE
Governor



GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT

NAME: Cynthia Brown

MAILING ADDRESS: N2960 730th Street
Menomonie, WI 54751

E-MAIL ADDRESS: cvbean@wwt.net

RESIDES IN: Menomonie, WI

TELEPHONE: (715) 664-8342 (w)
(715) 664-8435 (h)

OCCUPATION: Treasurer
Chippewa Valey Bean & Doane

APPOINTED TO: Board of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
Member

TERM: An interim term to expire May 1, 2007

SUCCEEDS: Cynthia Jarvis (currently vacant)

SENATE CONFIRMATION: Yes

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: January 16, 2003

DATE OF NOMINATION: January 16, 2003

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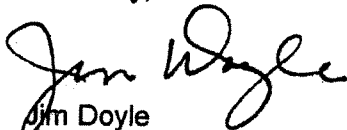
Ms. Cynthia Brown
N2960 730th Street
Menomonie, WI 54751

Dear Cynthia,

I am pleased to appoint you as a member of the Board of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection effective January 16, 2003 for a term expiring May 1, 2007. Your experience, knowledge, and dedication will be a true asset to my administration and a great benefit to the people of Wisconsin.

It is a new day for 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

Cc: Susan Goodwin
Karen Schultz, Executive Office, DATCP

N2060 730th St

Phone 715-664-8342
Fax 715-664-8344
E-mail cvbean@wvt.net

Cynthia A. Brown

Education 1979- 1982 University of Wisconsin Eau Claire, WI
BBA
Minor in Economics

**Professional
experience** 1976 - 1979 Menards Eau Claire, WI
Secretary to Corporate President
Rental Coordinator for Profit Sharing Trust and Real Estate Division

1979-Present Chippewa Valley Bean & Doane Ltd. Menomonie, WI
Part time Clerical and Accounting 1979-1982
Office Administrator 1982-1988
Sales 1988-Present
Treasurer 1992-Present

**Professional
memberships** National Dry Bean Council:
Participated In export trade missions to Europe and Northern Africa
PVO Committee Chair
2001 Farm Bill Committee

American Dry Bean Board Promotion Committee

**Community and
Other Activities** Planning Commission – Spring Brook Township
Treasurer – Forest Center Cemetery: 1964 – Present
Chippewa Valley Technical College Foundation Board: 1997-2003



STATE OF WISCONSIN
ETHICS BOARD

James R. Morgan
Chairman
Paul M. Holzem
David L. McRoberts
Joanne R. Orr
Dorothy C. Johnson

On the capitol square at:
44 EAST MIFFLIN STREET, STE 601
MADISON, WISCONSIN 53703-2800
phone: 608/266-8123
fax: 608/264-9319
ethics@ethics.state.wi.us
<http://ethics.state.wi.us>

Roth Judd
Director

Nominee: Cynthia Brown
Position: Board Member,
Ag. Trade & Cons. Prot., Dept. of
(agriculture representative)

Statutory Reference:

15.13 Department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection; creation. There is created a department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under the direction and supervision of the board of agriculture, trade and consumer protection. The board shall consist of 7 members with an agricultural background and 2 members who are consumer representatives, appointed for staggered 6-year terms. Appointments to the board shall be made without regard to party affiliation, residence or interest in any special organized group.

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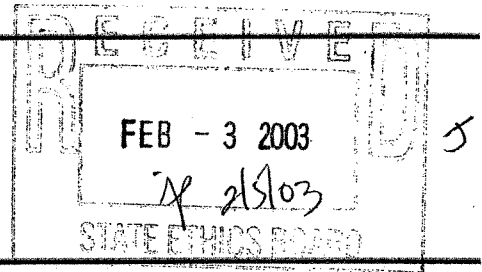
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND
INSURANCE: Senators Schultz (Chair), Brown, Kedzie, Robson, and Hansen

Statement of Economic Interests

Filed in 2003 for calendar year 2002

Name: Brown, Cynthia

State position: Ag. Trade & Cons. Prot., Dept. of Board Member
(held or sought)



SEE INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXPLANATION AND EXCEPTIONS.

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Part A

As of December 31, 2002

1. List STOCKS, BONDS, limited partnerships, Wisconsin governmental securities, and mutual and money market funds you or your family held (minimum \$5,000).

Name of security	Type of security - "✓" one					Amount - "✓" one	
	stock/ option/ futures	bond	limited partnership	Wisconsin governmental security	mutual or money mkt fund	\$50,000 or less	More than \$50,000
Calvert Money Market					X		X
Putnam Voyager					X	X	
Bond Fund of America		X				X	

2. List BUSINESSES and INCOME-PRODUCING REAL ESTATE in which you or your family had a 10% or greater ownership interest.

Name of business (if any) or business activity, or address of real estate	Municipality	State	If real estate, list County	Describe nature of business
Doane, Ltd.	Menomonie	WI	Dunn	Farm
Chippewa Valley Bean Co.,	Menomonie	WI	Dunn	Bean Elevator
Menomin Seed	Menomonie	WI		Seed Research Co.
Fall City Implement	Menomonie	WI		Implement Sales

a) For each general partnership or non-Wisconsin entity you listed in Item #2, list the GENERAL PARTNERS or the OFFICERS and DIRECTORS.

Business	Partners, or officers and directors	City	State
Fall City Implement	Ruth Hofland	Elk Mound	WI
	Brian Doane	Menomonie	WI
	Robert Wachsmuth	Eau Claire	WI
	Cynthia Brown	Menomonie	WI

b) For each enterprise you listed in Item #2 that is an unincorporated business, a subchapter S corporation, a service corporation (SC), a limited liability company (LLC), a partnership, or income-producing real estate, list BUSINESSES, ORGANIZATIONS, and any LOBBYISTS that were CUSTOMERS, CLIENTS, or TENANTS that paid the enterprise \$1,000 or more in calendar year 2002.

Businesses, organizations, lobbyists that were customers, clients, or tenants	City	State

3. 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 listed in item 2).

LOCATION OF PROPERTY			NATURE OF INTEREST (own, lease, option, easement, land contract)
Street address or fire number	Municipality	County	
Numerous	Town of Spring Brook	Dunn	Own farm land

PART A

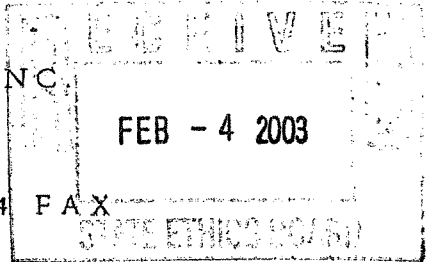
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✓ Davis New York	Mutual or Money Market Fund	Under \$50,000
Europacific Growth Fund	Mutual or Money Market Fund	Under \$50,000
Federated Asia Pacific Growth Fund	Mutual or Money Market Fund	Under \$50,000
Fidelity Advisor	Mutual or Money Market Fund	Under \$50,000
Gam International	Mutual or Money Market Fund	Under \$50,000
Washington Mutual Inv. Fund	Mutual or Money Market Fund	Under \$50,000

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CHIPPEWA VALLEY BEAN CO., INC.
 N2960 730TH ST.
 MENOMONIE, WI 54751-6615
 715-664-8342 PHONE 715-664-8344 FAX
CVBEAN@WWT.NET E-MAIL



FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

TO: Jackie Seigel	FROM: Carla Topper
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NOTES/COMMENTS:

Ms. Seigel:

The following pages are names and addresses from companies and people who have spent over \$1,000 with at least one of the companies that Cindy Brown is an officer with. The first seven pages are canners that work with Chippewa Valley Bean, page eight is a list of growers that have bought seed either from Chippewa Valley Bean or Menomin Seed, and page nine is a list of people that have bought either parts or corn from Doane, Ltd.

If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best regards,

Carla Topper

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**Chippewa Valley Bean Co., Inc.
Customer Master File List**

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Customer ID Customer	Address Line 1 Address Line 2 City ST ZIP	Contact Telephone 1 Telephone 2 Fax Number	Tax Code Resale No Terms Cust Since
ADM-Agri Sales ADM- AGRI SALES, INC.	4666 Faries Parkway Decatur, IL 62526		Net 30 Days 4/7/00
Agrilink Foods Agrilink Foods	90 Linden Oaks Parkway Rochester, NY 14625		Net 30 Days 8/28/00
Alanheri (Produkten) Alanheri (Produkten) BV	Molenend 2 4268 GD Meauwen The Netherlands		Net 30 Days 11/26/02
Alimentos Congelados Alimentos Congelados	Ctra. Estacion, s/n 31340 - Marcilla Navarra Spain		Net 30 Days 5/30/00
Allen Canning Allen Canning Company	P.O. Box 250 Siloam Springs, AR 72761		Net 30 Days 1/9/01
American Fine Foods Chiquita Processed Foods	P.O. Box 460 Payette, ID 83661		Net 30 Days 11/10/98
BGM Nahrungsmittel BGM Nahrungsmittel Ohg	An Der Salzbrucke 98617 Ritschenhausen Germany		Net 30 Days 8/16/02
Blue Runner Blue Runner Foods	726 S. Burnside Ave. Gonzales, LA 70707		Net 30 Days 3/14/00
Boas B.V. Boas B.V.	Stephensonstraat 40 Zoetermeer 2723 RN Holland		Net 10 Days 11/30/98
Bonduelle Bonduelle Grand Public	Usine de Rencscure La Wocstyne Rencscure 59173 France		Net 60 Days 1/26/01
C-Shore International C-Shore International	1102 N Brand Blvd Suite 63 Glendale, CA 91202		Net 30 Days 9/11/01
C.S.A. C.S.A.	10, Place Bougainville B.P. No. 30 - Arenc Marseille Cedex, 20 13908 Franc		Net 10 Days 3/16/01
Campbell's Germany Campbell's Germany GmbH	Geminer Strasse 88-100 D-23560 Luebeck Germany		Net 30 Days 1/3/03
Campbell's Grocery	Claylands Avenue		

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Campbell's Grocery Products	Worksop, Notts S81 7 AT Great Britain		Net 30 Days 1/17/03
Canoe Creek Canoe Creek Commodities	P O Box 647 Dillsburg, PA 17019		Net 30 Days 3/26/02
Cardinal Bean Co. Cardinal Bean Co.	3465 Taneytown Road Gettysberg, PA 17325		Net 30 Days 8/12/02
Casi Trading Casi Trading	Seringstraat 80 4621 DD Bergen op Zoom Holland		Net 30 Days 12/19/02
Cenex Cenex Supply & Marketing	3132 Road "O" NE Moses Lake, WA 98837	Dennis Spangler	Net 10 Days 6/5/95
Chiquita Chiquita Processed Foods, LLC	900 N Cedar Ave. Owatonna, MN 55060		Net 30 Days 6/21/02
CiaCam CIACAM	2, RUE ARNAL 13003 MARSEILLE FRANCE	ALEXANDRE CHERKI	Net 10 Days 9/8/98
Colusa Colusa International Comm.	P.O. Box 69 Meridian, CA 95957		Net 30 Days 6/2/01
Continental Grain Continental Grain	400 South 4th St., Suite 815 Minneapolis, MN 55415		Net 30 Days 12/7/98
Cooperativa Agricola Cooperativa Agricola Bagni 80	Via Antonio Della Monica 18/4 Castel San Giorgio 84083 Italy		Net 30 Days 11/26/02
Dechene Corporation Dechene Corporation	18222 195th St Big Lake, MN 55309		Net 10 Days 10/16/02
Del Monte Del Monte Foods	P.O. Box 193575 Accts Payable/Doreen Garrett San Francisco, CA 94119		Net 30 Days 3/19/01
Diversified Diversified Foods & Seasonings	1001 Harimaw Court South Metairie, LA 70001	Cathy Marsh	Net 20 Days 11/13/98
Draper Draper King Cole	PO Box 218		

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	Milton, DE 19968		Net 30 Days 4/3/95
ETS Haudecoeur ETS Haudecoeur	60, Rue Emile Zola, BP 29 93121 La Courneuve Cedex France		Net 30 Days 1/7/03
Eerate Eurograan Eerste Eurograan B.V.	Scandinavieweg 14 NL-9723 AV Grohingen The Netherlands		Net 30 Days 12/9/98
Eximgains Eximgains S.A.	17, Rue Ferdinand Hodler CH 1207 Geneve Switzerland		Net 30 Days 12/23/98
F.LLI Pedon S.R.L. F.LLI Pedon S.R.L.	Via Del Progresso, 32 Molvena Z.I.36060 Italy		Net 30 Days 11/15/00
Faribault Foods Faribault Foods	128 NW 15th St Faribault, MN 55021	Tom Rundgaard 507-334-5521 507-334-0243	Net 30 Days 10/8/98
Feger Feger Di Gerardo Ferraioli	Via Nazionale 236 84012 Angri (SA) Italy		Net 10 Days 10/26/00
Finora Finora Co., Inc.	6312 S. Fiddlers Green Circle Suite 250N Englewood, CO 80111		Net 30 Days 3/28/95
Finora/Canada Finora Co.	Accounts Payable 8427 160th St. Surrey, BC V3R 3T9 Canada		Net 30 Days 7/12/99
Friday Canning Chiquita Processed Foods	P.O. Box 99 Ackley, IA 50601	Leon Lindsay	Net 30 Days 9/28/98
Furman Foods Furman Foods	Cannery Rd. Route 2 Northumberland, PA 17857		Net 30 Days 1/24/01
Gerhard Golucke Gerhard Golucke	19 Glockengiesserwall D20095 Hamburg Germany		Net 30 Days 12/17/98
Great West Great West	8950 Barrons Blvd, Suite 102 Highlands Ranch, CO 80129		Net 30 Days 12/11/00
H.J. Heinz B.V. H.J. Heinz B.V.	Jagerspad 7 4283 ZG Giessen The Netherlands		Net 30 Days

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Haney Hancy Seed Co.	347 S. Park Ave. W. Twin Falls, ID 83301	Homer Pringle	Net 30 Days 4/30/99
Hanover Hanover Brands	P O Box 334 Hanover, PA 17331		Net 30 Days 6/23/99
Hensall District Hensall District Coop	P O Box 219 Hensall Ontario NoM 1X0 Canada		Net 30 Days 12/18/00
Hoopston Hoopston Foods	P O Box 405 Hoopston, IL 60942		Net 30 Days 9/15/98
Hormel Hormel Foods Corporation	Corporate Accounts Payable 1 Hormel Place Austin, MN 55912-3680		Net 30 Days 4/11/02
Hormel Foods Hormel Foods Corporation	ATTN: Accounts Payable 3000 Kennedy Drive Beloit, WI 53511	Gary Schammel	Net 10 Days 9/30/98
Hormel/Stockton Hormel Foods Corporation	PO Box 100 Stockton, CA 95201		Net 30 Days 12/31/02
Inland Empire Inland Empire Foods, Inc.	5425 Wilson St. Riverside, CA 92509		Net 30 Days 11/30/99
KBC KBC Trading & Processing Co.	P.O. Box 609 Stockton, CA 95201	Bob Corkran	Net 10 Days 9/25/98
Kelley Bean Kelley Bean	P.O. Box 2488 Scottsbluff, NE 69363-2488		Net 30 Days 8/27/99
Kelley Bean Co. Kelley Bean Co.	P O Box 526 Durand, MI 48429-0526		Net 30 Days 8/21/02
Kimpton Brothers Kimpton Brothers	10-14 Hewett Street London EC2A 3HA England	Laura Blackburn	Net 10 Days 2/2/99
Kiril Mischeff Kiril Mischeff Limited	Broadwall House, 21 Broadwall London SE1 9PL England		Net 10 Days 12/3/99

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Klein ConAgra Shared Purchasing Inc	C/O KBC Trading & Processing P.O. Box 609 Stockton, CA 95201		Net 10 Days 5/26/95
Knight Seed Knight Seed Company	P O Box 989 Burnsville, MN 55337-0989		Net 28 Days 9/14/00
Kundig W.Kundig & Cie Ag Zurich	Stampfenbachstrasse 38 CH-8023 Zurich Switzerland	Heinz Wunderlin	Net 10 Days 11/10/98
Meridionale Alimenti Meridionale Alimenti S.R.L.	Corso Trieste No. 257 Caserta 81100 Italy		Net 10 Days 1/5/01
Monetto Marjo Monetto Mario Sementi E Legumi	Fraz. S. Vittore 72 C 12045 Fossano Cuneo Italy		Net 30 Days 11/21/02
Morgan Morgan Foods, Inc.	Attn:Accounts Payable Depart. 90 West Morgan St. Austin, IN 47102	Larry Higdon	Net 30 Days 8/11/98
Muller's Muhle Muller's Muhle GmbH	Am Stadthafen 42-50 45881 Gelsenkirchen Germany	Manfred Hutmarn	Net 10 Days 11/24/99
New Meridian New Meridian	P O Box 155 Eaton, IN 47338		Net 30 Days 11/5/01
Northwest Trading Northwest Trading Co.	420 West Pine Street Suite 1 Lodi, CA 95240		Net 30 Days 9/14/99
PRODUTOS PRODUTOS MEPS	RUA SERPA PINTO, 170 4820 FAPE PORTUGAL	Manuel Soares	Net 30 Days 10/6/98
Pillsbury The Pillsbury Company	Attn: Joan Holtz 200 South 6th St MS 2108 Minneapolis, MN 55402	Scott Wolfe	Net 21 Days 3/24/99
Pillsbury/Progresso Progresso Quality Foods	Pillsbury Co./Accts Payable 500 West Elmer Road Vineland, NJ 08360		Net 30 Days 11/23/98
Poortman A. Poortman (London) Ltd	Prescot House Prescot Street London, UK E1 8BB		Net 30 Days 11/21/02

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Premier Foods Premier Foods	Bridge Road, Longautton Nr. Spalding Lincolnshire PE12 9EQ England		Net 40 Days 7/31/02
Princeville Chiquita-Princeville Plant	606 Tremont Ave. Princeville, IL 61559		Net 30 Days 6/30/99
Saupiquet Cie Saupiquet	17, Boulevard Gaston Doumergue BP 2089 44200 Nantes France		Net 10 Days 12/9/98
Scana Noliko Scana Noliko	Industrieterrein Kanaal Noord 2002 3960 Brce Belgium		Net 30 Days 1/24/03
Schluter Schluter & Maack	Ost-West Strasse 49 D-2000 Hamburg Germany		Net 7 Days 10/29/98
Schmid H.P. Schmid, Inc.	P.O. Box 193707 San Francisco, CA 94119-3707	John R. O'Driscoll	Net 10 Days 12/12/98
Soufflet Soufflet Alimentaire	8 Rue du Petit Bruxelles B.P. 7959 300 Valenciennes France		Net 10 Days 10/12/99
Spineta S.P.A. Spineta S.P.A.	Via Lamia 18/20 84100 Salerno Italy		Net 30 Days 12/30/02
Steele & Co. Steele & Co.	4956 Stewart Rd. Sterling, MI 48659		Net 28 Days 2/9/99
Stratford Stratford Upon Avon Foods	Timothy Bridge Road Stratford Upon Avon Warwickshire CV37 9YL United	John Welch	Net 10 Days 10/29/98
Tri-Valley Tri-Valley Growers	Plant R P O Box 1211 Modesto, CA 95353		Net 30 Days 4/5/99
Trinidad Trinidad Benham Corp	P O Box 6156 Saginaw, MI 48608		Net 30 Days 5/2/00
Trinidad Benham Trinidad Benham Corp	P O Box 378007 Denver, CO 80237		Net 30 Days 1/3/02
Trinidad/Concord	1868 Clayton Road		

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Trinidad Benham Corp.	Suite 223 Concord, CA 94520		Net 30 Days 1/24/03
USDA USDA	ATTN: VIPS 9200 Ward Parkway 6th Floor Kansas City, MO 64114		Net 30 Days 2/24/99
USDA-FSA USDA FSA VIPS Stop 8578	6501 Beacon Ave. Kansas City, MO 64133		Net 30 Days 11/29/00
Valmarco Valmarco LLC	111 North Clinton St. Johns, MI 48879		Net 10 Days 9/7/00
WG Thompson & Sons WG Thompson & Son	P O Box 250 Blenheim Ontario N0P 1A0 Cana		Net 30 Days 11/26/02
William Saurin William Saurin	81/89 avenue du General Lecler Saint-Thibault-des-Vignes Lagny-sur-Marne 77407 France		Net 30 Days 12/8/00

Dont Kloss - 7501 210th Ave - Royalton, MN 56373
Larry Johnson - 32724 Co. 211 - Browerville, MN 56438
Kevin Kasselka - 19723 93rd st - Royalton, MN 56373
Dean Zimmerman - 21331 Kettle Road - Royalton, MN 56373
Dale Schock - 11867 Co. Rd. 30 - Staples, MN 56479
Jerry Schwitters - 8065 120th Ave SE - Clara City, MN 56222
Curt Plante - 27137 139th Ave - Fort Ripley, MN 56449
Arvin Brouwer - 16025 Hwy 7 SE - Clara City, MN 56222
Shellenbarger Farms - Route 4 Box 189 - Montevideo, MN 56265
Lyle Lundstrum - 88794 420th St - Bird Island, MN 56310
Jim Anderson - 45084 Glendale Rd - Belgrade, MN 56312
Jenny Schlichting - 6420 Canary Rd - Royalton, MN 56373
Delayne Pagel - 56029 266th St - Winthrop, MN 55396
Bill Kiffmeyer - 101 Center St - Clear Lake, MN 55319
Jon Reichmann - 14588 127th St. - Villard, MN 56385
Carlson Turkey Farms - P.O. Box 31 - Parkers Prairie, MN 56361
Gary Olson - P.O. Box 332 - Parkers Prairie, MN 56361
Kevin Dettler - 40168 173rd St - Doland, SD 57436
Leon Schuh - 56232 Schuh Road - Eau Claire, WI 54701
Winton Nelson - 23415 665th Ave - Darwin, MN 55324
Larry Schuh - W1957 Albany D West - Mondovi, WI 54755
Ron Garner - 6000 15th St NE, Atwater, MN 56209
Jack Miller - 44309 825th Ave - Hector, MN 55342
Jeff Kosek - 18766 110th St - Brownton, MN 55312
Joe Griebie - 18856 100th St - Brownton, MN 55312
Luther Grohn - N3189 Cty Rd H - Elk Mound, WI 54729
M. Quilling Partnership - E6146 610th Ave - Menomonie, WI 54720
Dale Radle - E7803 90th Ave - Mondovi, WI 54755

Mike Barrett - 13000 Hwy 25S - Brainerd, MN 56401

Stallman Bros. - E 9775 Cty Rd EE - Elk Mound, WI 54739

Dennis Lietha - 7262 54th St SE - St Cloud, MN 56304

RDO Farms - P.O. Box 241 - Durand, WI 54736

Troy Becker - 14730 159th Ave - Park Rapids, MN 56470

Ron Prochnow - E 6396 610th Ave - Menomonie, WI 54751

Chippewa Valley Grain - 5852 Cty Hwy T - Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Mike Johansen - 28849 235th St. - Underwood, MN 56586

Duane Hultgren - 11942 15th Ave SW - Raymond, MN 56288

Tim Johanning - 10675 Cty Rd 11 - Park Rapids, MN 56470

Beskar Farms - N 7656 State Road 25 - Menomonie, WI 54751

Duane Kroll - 8618 200th Ave - Royalton, MN 56373

Steve Roth - 13890 120th St - Wadena, MN 56482

Harvest States - P.O. Box 69 - Winona, MN 55987

Good Morning and thank you for scheduling this confirmation hearing on my appointment so promptly.

I would like to talk a little bit about my background and career and then answer any questions you might have for me.

From 1996 until 2003 I was an officer in Cobalt Corporation. Cobalt was a publicly traded New York Stock Exchange Insurance holding company whose largest affiliate was Blue Cross and BlueShield United of Wisconsin. It also had other subsidiary companies including three HMO's, a Life and Disability Company, a Worker's Compensation company and other affiliated companies. Cobalt's annual revenue was approximately 1.8 billion dollars with nearly one billion dollars in assets. Cobalt had approximately 3,200 employees located in twelve states.

As you may know, Cobalt was acquired last year by Wellpoint Health Networks, the parent company of Blue Cross of California, as well as BlueCross and Blue Shield of Missouri and Georgia. The transaction closed at the end of September 2003.

Prior to the acquisition by WellPoint I was the Chairman of the Board of Directors and CEO of Cobalt. After the acquisition I remained as Chairman until the end of 2003. I continue to be employed by WellPoint on a consulting basis.

Before becoming Chairman and CEO I was the President and Chief Operating Officer. Prior to that, I was Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of the Corporation. Additionally, I was a member of all of the boards of directors of our subsidiary companies.

As CEO of the company I was responsible for all investments of all of the funds under our management, including our reserves and pension funds. As a member of the Board of Directors of Cobalt

and as a member of all of the subsidiary boards, I was responsible, with the other board members, for approving asset allocations and management of outside fund managers.

As General Counsel I was responsible for designing and implementing a company wide Ethics and Compliance program. Additionally, I was responsible for implementing the mandates of Sarbannes Oxley corporate compliance programs.

While at Cobalt my proudest accomplishments were returning the company to profitability and spearheading the conversion of Blue Cross and Blue Shield from a not for profit company to a shareholder owned company. You may recall that as a part of the conversion of Blue Cross, the company created a Foundation and placed 100% of the value of the converted Blue Cross ~~in~~ stock into the Foundation to be used for the improvement of public health in Wisconsin. The ultimate beneficiaries of the proceeds were the state's two medical schools, the University of Wisconsin Medical School and the Medical College of Wisconsin. As a result of the success of Cobalt and its sale to WellPoint the two medical schools have each received through their ownership of the Blue Cross stock over 300 million dollars each.

I am proud to say that while I was CEO, Cobalt was the number one performing healthcare stock in the nation and the number one performing stock of all Wisconsin publicly traded companies.

Also, I am also proud that while I was CEO, Cobalt was recognized as having the highest percentage of women officers of any Wisconsin publicly traded company.

Prior to joining Cobalt, I was a partner in the law firm of DeWitt, Ross and Stevens, an eighty member law firm based in Madison. I was a member of the Executive committee of the Board of

Directors from 1991 until I left in 1996. I was President of the firm from 1993. The executive committee, among other duties, has responsibility for the management of the firm's assets and pension fund. While on the executive committee I was directly involved in all of the firm's decisions affecting the firm's finances and pension fund, including hiring and managing fund managers and approving asset allocation.

Before joining DeWitt, Ross and Stevens, I was Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Corrections, in Governor Tommy Thompson's first term.

I began my career as a prosecutor in the Dane County District Attorney's Office in 1979 working for then District Attorney James Doyle.

I am a 1979 graduate of the University of Wisconsin Law School. I graduated with Distinction and received my Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1976.

I was born and raised in Stevens Point.

I am currently on the Board of Trustees of the Nature Conservancy, soon to become the Chairman of the Board. Additionally I am a member of the Board of Directors of the United Way of Greater Milwaukee and the Greater Milwaukee Committee.

Let me conclude by saying that I believe that I will bring a unique perspective to the State of Wisconsin Investment Board because of my background in state government and my experience in the private sector. I have run large organizations, both in government and in the private sector. I was responsible for the management of large sums of money, in retirement accounts as well as for health benefits. I am experienced in corporate compliance and ethics and

as a lawyer and as a beneficiary of the state's pension system I am keenly aware of my fiduciary duties to the fund and all of its members.

I look forward to serving the people of Wisconsin on the Investment Board. If you have any questions, I would be happy to answer them. Thank you.