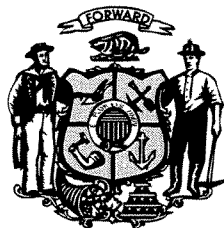


STATE OF WISCONSIN

JIM DOYLE
GOVERNOR



January 17, 2003

To the Honorable, the Senate:

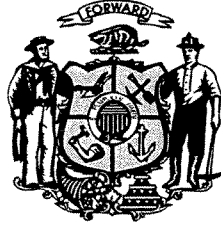
I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint Michael Krutza to be a member of the Board of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to serve a term expiring May 1, 2005.

Mr. Krutza 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: Michael Krutza

MAILING ADDRESS: 611 S. 32nd Avenue
Wausau, WI 54401

E-MAIL ADDRESS: mkrutza@farmcredit.com

RESIDES IN: Wausau, WI

TELEPHONE: (715) 842-2211 (w)
(715) 842-8922 (h)

OCCUPATION: CEO
FCS Financial Systems

APPOINTED TO: Board of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

TERM: An interim term to expire May 1, 2005

SUCCEEDS: James A. Holte (Currently vacant)

SENATE CONFIRMATION: Yes

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: January 16, 2003

DATE OF NOMINATION: January 16, 2003



Interoffice Memo

DATE: December 20, 2002

TO: Governor-elect Doyle's Transition Team

FROM: Mike Krutza, CEO FCS Financial Services, and a subsidiary of United FCS

Summary:

I have long been passionate about the renewal and vibrancy of Wisconsin's agriculture and rural economy. Discussions with Bill Oemichen, CEO of the Wisconsin Federation of Cooperatives and Bill Brey, Chairman of the Wisconsin Farmers Union, encouraged me to submit a brief background and letter of interest to serve on the board of DATCP.

Highlights of Qualifications:

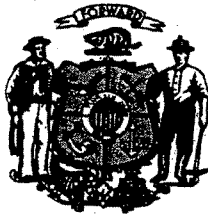
- Twenty nine years of varied leadership responsibilities in the Farm Credit System; i.e. loan officer, District Bank supervisor, Chief Credit Officer, Chief Financial Officer of FCS-Northwest Wisconsin. CEO of FCS Financial Services, located in Wausau, Wisconsin.
- I was appointed CEO of FCS North Central Wisconsin in 1988, at a time when the organization had just been issued a Cease and Desist order from FCA. This FCS was losing \$300,000 per month and had credit quality of 50% acceptable. As CEO, this is one of the first Farm Credit Services to have the C&D lifted by the Federal Regulator, FCA. Today, this FCS is generating \$300,000 of profit per month, downsized by nearly 50%, offering cash patronage dividends of \$8 million over the past 7 years and growing about 6% annually. At the same time, we have recommitted our efforts to remain local with six office locations. We have vibrant housing, agriculture and young and beginning farmer programs.
- Extensive leadership within the State's rural and agricultural community, including Co Chairman of Dairy 2020; Director Rural Economic Development Board-Dept. of Commerce; Director Wisconsin Agribusiness Council; Director Wisconsin Federation of Cooperatives.
- Management Chair of United FCS, the first holding company of its kind within the Farm Credit System, which merged the FCS of Minnesota Valley of Western Minnesota and the FCS of North Central Wisconsin. United FCS is unique for retaining the local identity and control for the members in the area.
- Author of several articles regarding the renewal of Wisconsin's dairy industry, including testimony to the Joint Finance Committee in April 2001 which proposed an economic stimulus package for the State which featured the Investment Tax Credit proposal for modernizing the state's family dairy farms. Contributing writer for Midwest Dairy Business and Dairy Herd Management. Frequent speaker for farm audiences.

Other Achievements:

- Focus for organizational success is cultural based on creating an experience for employees and customers, which understands and anticipates their needs.
- One of few FCS' in the Nation to provide 100% cash patronage to members totally nearly \$8 million dollars since 1994.
- Received AgriMarketer of the Year Award from NAMA (National Agricultural Marketers Association) in 1996.
- Sponsored Rural Development Symposium for area coop managers and directors in 1994.

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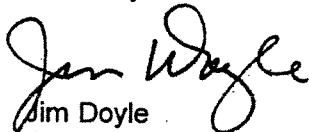
Mr. Michael Krutza
611 S. 32nd Avenue
Wausau, WI 54401

Dear Michael,

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, 2005. 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



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Roth Judd
Director

Nominee: Michael Krutza
Position: Board Member,
Ag. Trade & Cons. Prot., Dept. of

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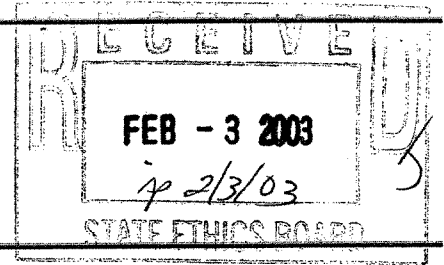
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND INSURANCE: Senators Schultz (Chair), Brown, Kedzie, Robson, and Hansen

Statement of Economic Interests

Filed in 2003 for calendar year 2002

Name: Krutza, Michael

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



SEE INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXPLANATION AND EXCEPTIONS.

•Questions about completing this form? Call (608) 266-8115 •Other inquiries (608) 266-8123 •Attach additional pages as needed

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
PIMCO NFO Small Cap Value Class A					✓		✓
Vanguard Institutional Index Aus Share					✓		✓
Merrill Lynch Basic Value Fund Class A					✓		✓

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
NONE				

- 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

- 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	
0207 DOOLITTLE ROAD	MILWAUKEE	ONEIDA	OWN

4. List ORGANIZATIONS of which you or a family member was an OFFICER or DIRECTOR.

Business or organization	City	State	Position
WFC	MADISON	WI	DIRECTOR
FCS Financial Services	WAUSAU	WI	President
United FCS	WILLMAR	WI	CEO

5. 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 listed in item 4 or 7).

Business or organization	City	State

6. List CREDITORS to which you or your family owed \$5,000 or more.

Creditor	City	State	"✓" one	
			\$5,000 or less	More than \$5,000
GMAC (Residence + Mortgage)	Waterloo	Iowa		✓
U.S. Bank	Wausau	WI		✓
Master Card	Wilmington	Delaware	✓	
VISA - Union Planters	Wilmington	Delaware	✓	

7. Changes to reportable interests this year. See instructions.

Part B **For calendar year 2002**

8. List your and your family's EMPLOYERS (\$1,000 or more of income) in 2002.

Name of employer (If State of Wisconsin, identify agency or institution)	City	State	Nature of employer's business
Farm Credit Services	Wausau	WI	Rural Finance
Merrill Area Public Schools	Merrill	WI	EDUCATION

9. List OTHER SOURCES from which you or your family received INCOME of \$1,000 or more in 2002.

Source of income	City	State

10. List individuals and organizations that provided you with ENTERTAINMENT or GIFTS (more than \$50) in 2002.

Name of provider	City	State

11. List, for 2002, sources of HONORARIA and payment of EXPENSES related to your state government duties (more than \$50) not previously reported to the Ethics Board.

Payer	Approximate value of expenses	Amount of honorarium	Circumstances of receipt

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.

Signature of person filing: Michael Krutz Date: 1-31-03 Daytime phone #: 715-842-2211 Ext 301
E-mail address: mkkrutz@farmcredit.com

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 Ethics Board will notify you of the identity of any person who examines your Statement. In accordance with §15.04(1)(m), Wisconsin Statutes, the Ethics Board states that no personally identifiable information is likely to be used for purposes other than those for which it is collected.



Wisconsin Federation of Cooperatives

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Phone: 608.258.4400 Fax 608.258.4407 www.wfcmac.org wfcmac@wfcmac.org

Date: 6/3/2003

To: Chairman Schultz & Members, Senate Committee on Agriculture, Financial Institutions and Insurance

From: William L. Oemichen, President & CEO *Bill Oemichen*

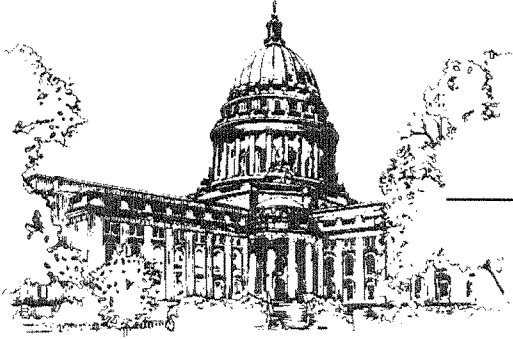
RE: Support of Michael Krutza for DATCP Board

The Wisconsin Federation of Cooperatives is proud to register enthusiastic support for the nomination of Mike Krutza as a member of the DATCP Board. Among his numerous credentials is his current service on the Wisconsin Federation of Cooperative's Board, where he has been an active and creative member. On the WFC Board he is perhaps best known for being the "father" of the dairy investment tax credit proposal. That idea, now known as Assembly Bill 283, is offered as an economic incentive to Wisconsin dairy producers, regardless of size, to modernize their dairy operations. Mike knows as much as any knowledgeable Wisconsin resident that the average age of our dairy facilities negatively impacts our state's relative competitiveness. In response, Mike has dedicated himself to advancing this idea among Wisconsin decision-makers.

Mike's education suited him well for all that he has done since. He received both BS and MS degrees in agriculture fields of study from the UW-Platteville. Mike Krutza has provided nearly 30 years of service to the Farm Credit Service system, filling roles from loan officer to chief executive officer. Because of his education, occupation and service to state government, he is very knowledgeable of the diverse agriculture that has helped strengthen and support the rural economy and entire state. But he has especially focused on our primary agricultural sector, dairy. Mike was co-chair of Dairy 2020 and a member of the Rural Economic Development (RED) Board. He helped re-write the successful Dairy Business Planning Grant program at the Department of Commerce.

Those who know Mike appreciate his talent and cooperative spirit. He should be a major asset to the DATCP Board as he supports efforts aimed at achieving success for our agricultural producers and entire agricultural industry. We urge your positive vote on behalf of the confirmation of Michael Krutza to the DATCP Board.

MAY 29 2003



Russ Decker
State Senator

May 29, 2003

Senator Dale Schultz
Chairman Committee on Agriculture, Financial Institutions and Insurance
The State Capitol
Room 18 South
Hand Delivered

Dear Chairman Schultz:

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Wisconsin's agricultural community faces many challenges in the coming years as a result of lower milk prices, reduced milk production, fewer farmers, agricultural land being lost to developers and a number of additional problems. Mr. Krutza's experience and leadership will help us solve these issues. His work with Representative Ott has led to the investment tax credit proposal for modernizing the state's family dairy farms (AB 283). You will not find a person more dedicated to improving the lives of Wisconsin's farmers and the health of Wisconsin's rural communities.

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Sincerely,

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