Eight Milk Marketing Board Director Positions Up for Election

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MADISON –The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) invites Wisconsin dairy producers who are interested in serving the state's dairy industry to submit a nomination to represent their district as a Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board (WMMB) director. DATCP oversees the nomination and election process.

Eight out of 25 districts are currently up for election:

District	Counties
District 2	Florence, Forest, Langlade, Marinette, Oconto and Vilas counties
District 5	St. Croix and Dunn counties
District 8	Marathon County
District 11	Outagamie and Winnebago counties
District 14	Jackson, La Crosse and Trempealeau counties
District 17	Calumet and Manitowoc counties
District 20	Richland and Sauk counties
District 23	Iowa and Lafayette counties

To qualify, a nominee must be an active dairy producer who sells milk into commercial channels and lives in the represented district up for election. Each potential candidate must acquire at least five signatures from active dairy producers within the district, submit a completed nomination form, and have the "Affidavit of Eligibility" certification requirement notarized. Nominations must be postmarked by March 31, 2018.

Producers who are interested in serving as a director can contact Debbie Gegare the Market Orders Program Coordinator at (608) 224-5116 or Debbie.Gegare@wisconsin.gov for a nomination form or access an electronic copy at www.wmmb.com/elections.

DATCP administers elections for Wisconsin commodity marketing boards. To learn more about the market order boards, visit <u>https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/About_Us/MarketingBoards.aspx</u>

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Attachment – 2018 Election Map outlining districts

Caption:

Every year, one-third of the 25-member WMMB Board of Directors is elected to three-year terms. For 2018, active dairy producers in eight affected districts (black areas on map) are invited to submit a nomination to represent their district as a WMMB director.