Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Milk Marketing Board nomination period opens

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MADISON – The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is inviting 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.

Nine out of 25 districts are currently up for election. They are:

<u>District</u>	Counties
District 1	Ashland, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, Iron, Rusk, Sawyer and Washburn
	Counties
District 4	Barron and Polk Counties
District 7	Clark County
District 10	Brown, Door and Kewaunee Counties
District 13	Buffalo, Pierce and Pepin Counties
District 16	Fond du Lac, Green Lake and Marquette Counties
District 19	Columbia and Dodge Counties
District 22	Grant County
District 25	Green, Rock and Walworth 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 April 1, 2017.

Producers interested in serving as a director can contact Debbie Gegare, 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 or https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Growing_WI/MilkBoard.aspx

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

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