



Rayovac Names New Addition to Board

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MADISON, Wis., Aug. 6 /PRNewswire/ -- Rayovac Corp. (NYSE: ROV) Chairman Dave Jones announces the addition of Joseph W. Deering to the company's board of directors.

Mr. Deering is currently president for the food equipment group of Premark, a \$2.5 billion company based in Deerfield, Ill., that specializes in the manufacturing, distribution and servicing of equipment for the food service and food retail industries, including supermarkets, restaurants and fast food industries. Deering has extensive experience in manufacturing and brand marketing having previously served as president for Leucadia Manufacturing, New York, N.Y., and as president and CEO for Tomkins Industries, Inc., Dayton, Ohio.

"Rayovac is very proud to have Joseph Deering join our board of directors. His vast knowledge of the manufacturing, distribution and marketing processes and all the factors that affect them, along with his leadership skills, will be important attributes as Rayovac continues its growth to the next level," said Dave Jones, Rayovac chairman and CEO.

With the addition of Deering, there are now nine members on the Rayovac Board of Directors. Besides Chairman Dave Jones, the other members are: Rayovac President and COO Kent Hussey; Rayovac President/International and Contract Micropower Roger Warren; Rayovac Executive Vice President of Operations Trygve Lonnebotn; Thomas H. Lee Co. Managing Director Scott Schoen; Thomas H. Lee Co. Managing Director Thomas Shepherd; Thomas H. Lee Co. Managing Director Warren Smith, Jr.; and John Lupo, consultant in the consumer products industry and former Wal-Mart executive.

With its world headquarters in Madison, Wis., Rayovac is the third largest U.S. manufacturer of batteries and battery-operated lighting products. Thomas H. Lee Co., a private investment firm based in Boston owns the largest common share interest in Rayovac.

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