

**NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Retirement Resolution for Daniel Joyce

**FOR:** APRIL 2008 **BOARD MEETING**

**TO BE PRESENTED BY:** Matthew Frank

**SUMMARY:**

Daniel (Dan) Joyce retired in 2007 with over 17 years of service to citizens of the State of Wisconsin. A retirement resolution is attached.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt retirement resolution for Daniel Joyce.

**LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:**

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| No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Fiscal Estimate Required                              | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | Attached |
| No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | Attached |
| No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Background Memo                                       | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | Attached |

**APPROVED:**

  
Bureau Director, Russell Rasmussen

3/13/2008  
Date

  
Administrator, Todd Ambrose

3/19/08  
Date

  
Secretary, Matt Frank

4/1/08  
Date

cc: Laurie J. Ross - AD/5

## ***Retirement Resolution***

Daniel J. Joyce retired from the Department of Natural Resources in 2007 having provided 17 years of honorable and valuable service in improving water quality in the state. Dan's career with the Department began in November 1977 following his graduation with a degree in engineering from the University of Illinois-Chicago and three and one-half years employment with private industry working on the design of power plants. His initial duties with the Department included developing WPDES permits for a variety of industrial discharges.

In February 1979, Dan accepted a position with the University of Wisconsin-Madison to work on the design and installation of various heating and air conditioning systems on campus. While at the UW in 1987, Dan won a Governor's Award for Energy Innovation and a U.S. Department of Energy Award for Energy Innovation for designing a laboratory water purification system for the Veterinary Sciences Building. Dan left the UW-Madison, worked for a period with a HVAC contractor and, in February 1991, returned to employment in the wastewater program, where he was employed until his retirement.

Upon returning to the Department as a wastewater engineer, Dan's subsequent work has been in the development of WPDES permits and review of engineering plans and specifications for various wastewater sources including the food processing, dairy and the power industry. For several years, Dan coordinated WPDES permitting and wastewater disposal activities for fish hatcheries and the aquaculture industry. Along with others, he developed guidance that is currently used to regulate discharges from hatchery operations to assure wastewater is adequately treated and toxic substances are controlled. Dan was an active participant in the development of the Department's storm water WPDES program and the thermal water quality standards undergoing promulgation at that time.

Dan was the program's lead staff person in the development of rules regulating the discharge of chlorides in wastewater effluents. He worked with a non-agency advisory committee to create a unique regulatory program involving source reduction as a primary tool to control the discharge of chloride containing wastewater to surface waters. Because of his background and experience with the power industry, much of Dan's recent work before retirement was related to that sector. Most significantly, he was the lead staff person in the permitting and litigation associated with the Oak Creek/Elm Road power plant and came back as an LTE to assist in this work. Dan's work and expertise have been a valuable asset to the Department and the State of Wisconsin. His sometimes blunt communication style reflected his impatience and persistence, a fact that allowed him to overcome significant back problems and twice complete the Madison Ironman.

***WHEREAS***, Daniel J. Joyce has served the people of the State of Wisconsin faithfully and well in the performance of duties and has earned the commendation due an exemplary public employee;

***NOW, THEREFORE***, the Natural Resources Board at its April 2008 meeting at Madison, Wisconsin, Recognizes such faithful service with due respect and gratitude, and hereby makes this commendation a part of its official records.

***Natural Resources Board***

***Christine Thomas, CHAIR***