



Rayovac Names Lupo to Board

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MADISON, Wis., July 28 /PRNewswire/ -- Rayovac Corp. (NYSE: ROV) Chairman Dave Jones announces the addition of John Lupo to the company's board of directors.

Mr. Lupo is currently a consultant in the consumer products industry. Lupo previously served as senior vice president and chief operating officer for the international division of Walmart Stores, Inc., Bentonville, Ark. He held numerous executive positions at Walmart and has an extensive retail merchandising background. Prior to joining Walmart, Lupo was president of the Higbee Company, Cleveland, Ohio.

"Rayovac is very proud to have John Lupo join our board of directors. His vast experience in the global consumer products marketplace will be a valuable asset as Rayovac continues its aggressive growth initiatives," said Dave Jones, Rayovac chairman and CEO.

With the addition of Lupo, there are now eight 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 and Thomas H. Lee Co. Managing Director Warren Smith, Jr.

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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