

1 BUSINESS MEETING ON PENDING NOMINATIONS

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3 TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2011

4 United States Senate,
5 Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry,
6 Washington, D.C.

7 The Committee met, pursuant to notice, at 12:25 p.m.,
8 Room S-238, The Capitol, Hon. Debbie Stabenow, Chairwoman of
9 the Committee, presiding.

10 Present or submitting a statement: Senators Stabenow,
11 Leahy, Harkin, Conrad, Brown, Roberts, Chambliss, Johanns,
12 Grassley, Thune, and Hoeven.

13 [Transcript produced from written script.]

14 Chairwoman Stabenow. Seeing a quorum, I call to order
15 a business meeting of the Senate Committee on Agriculture,
16 Nutrition, and Forestry. If there are no objections, we
17 will vote to send the following nominations to the full
18 Senate for consideration: Mark P. Wetjen, of Nevada, to be
19 a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission;
20 and Brian T. Baenig, of the District of Columbia, to be an
21 Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, the Department of
22 Agriculture.

23 We will take up Mr. Wetjen's nomination first. All
24 those in favor, say aye.

25 [Chorus of ayes.]

1 Chairwoman Stabenow. All those opposed, nay.

2 [No response.]

3 Chairwoman Stabenow. The ayes have it. Mr. Wetjen's
4 nomination is approved.

5 Next we'll vote on Mr. Baenig. All those in favor, say
6 aye.

7 [Chorus of ayes.]

8 Chairwoman Stabenow. All those opposed, nay.

9 [No response.]

10 Chairwoman Stabenow. The ayes have it. Mr. Baenig's
11 nomination is approved.

12 Thank you, the business meeting is adjourned.

13 [Whereupon, at 12:35 p.m., the committee was
14 adjourned.]