#### State of Wisconsin

#### Notice of Listed Material Event #2006-22

Dated October 11, 2006

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Issuer:	State of Wisconsin Transportation Revenue Bonds (State of Wisconsin)
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This filing is being made pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Rule 15c2-12. The bonds listed in this notice are subject to SEC Rule 15c2-12 regarding an agreement to provide continuing disclosure. This filing constitutes a listed material event as defined by the rule. This page is part of the official filing, and is intended to provide additional comment or information on the attached material

Type of Information:Notice of a Material Event Pursuant to Rule 15c2-12<br/>Rating ChangesEffective September 26, 2006, Standard & Poor's Ratings<br/>Services upgraded their rating on the State of Wisconsin<br/>Transportation Revenue Bonds from "AA-" to "AA+". The<br/>outlook remains stable. Attached is the rating report provided

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by Standard & Poor's Rating Services.

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#### RESEARCH

Summary:

# Various Ratings To 'AA+' On Special Tax Criteria Change; Gas Tax; Miscellaneous Tax; Sales Tax

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Credit Profile		
UPGRADED	То	From
Bay Area Rapid Transit, California		
\$26.305 mil. Bay Area Rapid Transit	AA+	AA
Bernalillo Cnty, New Mexico		
Bernalillo Cnty, California \$132.980 mil. Bernalillo Cnty Sales Tax	AA+	AA
California, California		
California, California		
\$7.000 bil. California Sales Tax	AA+	AA-
Colorado Springs, Colorado Colorado Springs, California		
\$88.000 mil. Colorado Springs Sales Tax	AA+	AA
Dallas Area Rapid Transit, Texas Dallas Area Rapid Transit, California		
\$11.765 mil. Dallas Area Rapid Transit sr lien sales tax rev bnds ser 2001	AA+	AA
Delaware Transp Auth, Delaware	AAt	AA
Delaware Transp Auth, California		
\$424.730 mil. Delaware Transp Auth transp sys sr bnds	AA+	AA
<b>Glendale, Arizona</b> Glendale, California		
\$9.095 mil. Glendale mun prop corp excise tax rev rfdg bnds ser 1999	AA+	AA
Hawaii, Hawaii		
Hawaii Dept of Transp, California	۸.۸.,	
\$47.420 mil. Hawaii (Hawaii Dept of Transp) Gas Tax Kentucky Tpk Auth, Kentucky	AA+	AA
Kentucky, California		
\$1.323 mil. Kentucky Tpk Auth (Kentucky)	AA+	AA
Longmont, Colorado Longmont, California		
\$21.130 mil. Longmont Sales Tax	AA+	AA
\$17.480 mil. Longmont Sales and Use tax rfdg bnds ser 2006	AA+	AA
Massachusetts, Massachusetts Massachusetts, California		
\$22.200 mil. Massachusetts Spl Oblig Gas Tax	AA+	AA
<b>Michigan, Michigan</b> Michigan Comp Transp Fd, California		
\$283.375 mil. Michigan (Michigan Comp Transp Fd)	AA+	AA
<b>Michigan, Michigan</b> Michigan St Trunk Line Fd, California		
\$369.000 mil. Michigan (Michigan St Trunk Line Fd)	AA+/NR	AA

Nevada, Nevada

Nevada, California		
\$100.000 mil. Nevada Gas Tax	AA+	AA
Peoria Mun Dev Auth, Arizona		
Peoria Mun Dev Auth, California \$6,730 mil. Peoria Mun Dev Auth rev bnds ser 2006	AA+	AA
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<b>Peoria, Illinois</b> Peoria, California		
\$2.920 mil. Peoria downtown redev pkg rev rfdg bnds ser		
2004A	AA+	AA
Riverside Cnty Transp Comm, California		
Riverside Cnty Transp Comm, California		
\$100.015 mil. Riverside Cnty Transp Comm	AA+	AA
Scottsdale, Arizona		
Scottsdale, California		
\$15.660 mil. Scottsdale Gas Tax	AA+	AA
Snohomish Cnty Comnty Transit, Washington Snohomish Cnty Comnty Transit, California		
\$12.000 mil. Snohomish Cnty Comnty Transit Sales Tax rev		
bnds ser 2004 due 08/01/2014	AA+	AA
Tucson, Arizona		
Tucson, California	۸.۸.	۸.
\$85.335 mil. Tucson Gas Tax Sr Lien	AA+	A+
Westminster, Colorado Westminster, California		
\$11.895 mil. Westminster Sales Tax	AA+	AA
Wisconsin, Wisconsin		
Wisconsin Dept of Transp, California		
\$1.100 bil. Wisconsin Dept of Transp	AA+	AA-
OUTLOOK:	STABLE	

## Rationale

Standard & Poor's Ratings Services revised its U.S. public finance special tax criteria, including criteria for sales tax, highway user tax, and income tax revenue bonds, leading to rating upgrades on tens of billions of dollars of debt.

The criteria revision was prompted by a re-examination of the stability of sales, income, and highway user tax revenue streams over previous economic cycles, and the placing of less emphasis on additional parity bonds tests in instances when practical considerations make significant additional parity bonding unlikely.

The ratings revisions involved a comprehensive review of all outstanding sales tax, income tax, and highway user tax bonds currently rated by Standard & Poor's, and are effective immediately.

Standard & Poor's is refining its special tax criteria as it relates to sales tax, income tax, and highway user tax revenue bonds to place greater emphasis on fundamental economic factors and less on legal features regarding additional debt issuance and reserve funds when, from a practical perspective, prospects are good that debt service coverage will remain high regardless of the legal provisions in bond covenants.

Enhanced recognition of fundamental economic activity for sales tax and income tax revenue bonds is supported by retail sales and personal income data collected over past recessions, which has generally reaffirmed the stability of sales and income tax revenues during adverse economic cycles, particularly for large economic bases. As such, higher rating levels can be sustained at lower coverage levels for certain municipalities.

Likewise, the stability of fuel sales during recent and previous price spikes shows that fuel demand is relatively inelastic--even during periods of high fuel prices. Highway user tax ratings are also buoyed by the fact that a large portion of pledged revenues are typically derived from stable transportation-related sources, such as motor vehicle registration fees and motor vehicle license fees, and usually cover a large statewide population base.

Legal tests for additional sales tax parity debt will now be weighed less heavily where municipalities rely on

excess sales tax revenues to fund general fund operations. In such cases there is a disincentive to issue significant amounts of additional sales tax borrowing, regardless of legal protections. For these issuers, heavy sales tax bonding could have the effect of crowding out funding for essential continuing municipal operations. Analytically, this unlikelihood allows us to place less emphasis on the additional bonds test. The additional bonds test is also less significant for municipal issuers with a long history of debt restraint and little potential future financing needs. In contrast, additional bonds tests may retain their traditional importance when an authorized sales tax is dedicated only to capital funding or when capital needs are large.

Debt service reserves also take on less importance in cases where debt service coverage will be maintained at very high levels, such as 2x maximum annual debt service or higher. In these cases, debt service reserves equal to half of maximum annual debt service and ones only funded when coverage falls below a specified level, or in some cases not funded at all, may be sufficient.

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