

Great Wolf Resorts, Inc.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â HOVDE ERIC D | | (Month/Day/Year) | Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. [WOLF] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| | | 05/28/2008 | | |
| 1826 JEFFERSON PLACE NW | | | (Check all applicable) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| | (Street) | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner |
| WASHINGTON, Â DC Â 20036 | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | (give title below) | (specify below) |
| | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 7,067 ⁽¹⁾ | D | Â |
| Common Stock | 59,671 | D | Â |
| Common Stock | 630,156 ⁽²⁾ | I | See Footnote 2 |
| Common Stock | 307,570 ⁽³⁾ | I | See Footnote 3 |
| Common Stock | 331,835 ⁽⁴⁾ | I | See Footnote 4 |
| Common Stock | 72,527 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | See Footnote 5 |
| Common Stock | 301,075 ⁽⁶⁾ | I | See Footnote 6 |
| Common Stock | 19,315 ⁽⁷⁾ | I | See Footnote 7 |
| Common Stock | 8,825 ⁽⁸⁾ | I | See Footnote 8 |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---|--|--|--|--|---|
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | |
| | | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HOVDE ERIC D 1826 JEFFERSON PLACE NW WASHINGTON, DC 20036 | X | | | |

Signatures

Eric D. Hovde 06/06/2008
 **Signature of Date
 Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) These 7,067 shares represent a grant of restricted stock to Mr. Hovde in connection with his election to the Board of Directors on May 28, 2008. These shares vest in three equal annual installments beginning on May 28, 2009 and ending on May 28, 2011.
 Eric D. Hovde is the Managing Member of Hovde Capital Advisors LLC, a registered investment advisor (HCA). HCA serves as the
- (2) investment advisor to Financial Institution Partners, L.P., which directly owns the 630,156 shares of common stock of Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. Accordingly, Mr. Hovde may be deemed to beneficially own these shares.
 Eric D. Hovde is the Managing Member of Hovde Capital Advisors LLC, a registered investment advisor (HCA). HCA serves as the
- (3) investment advisor to Financial Institution Partners, Ltd., which directly owns the 307,570 shares of common stock of Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. Accordingly, Mr. Hovde may be deemed to beneficially own these shares.
 Eric D. Hovde is the Managing Member of Hovde Capital Advisors LLC, a registered investment advisor (HCA). HCA serves as the
- (4) investment advisor to Financial Institution Partners III, L.P., which directly owns the 331,835 shares of common stock of Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. Accordingly, Mr. Hovde may be deemed to beneficially own these shares.
 Eric D. Hovde is the Managing Member of Hovde Capital Advisors LLC, a registered investment advisor (HCA). HCA serves as the
- (5) investment advisor to Financial Institution Partners IV, L.P., which directly owns the 72,527 shares of common stock of Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. Accordingly, Mr. Hovde may be deemed to beneficially own these shares.
 Eric D. Hovde is the Managing Member of Hovde Capital Advisors LLC, a registered investment advisor (HCA). HCA serves as the
- (6) investment advisor to a separately managed account, which directly owns the 301,075 shares of common stock of Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. Accordingly, Mr. Hovde may be deemed to beneficially own these shares.
- (7)

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Eric D. Hovde is a Trustee of the Eric D. and Steven D. Hovde Foundation, which directly owns the 19,315 shares of common stock of Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. Accordingly, Mr. Hovde may be deemed to beneficially own these shares.

- (8) Eric D. Hovde is a Trustee of the Hovde Financial, Inc. Profit Sharing Plan and Trust, which directly owns the 8,825 shares of common stock of Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. Accordingly, Mr. Hovde may be deemed to beneficially own these shares.

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