

Pettit National Ice Center

Industrial Revenue Bond Financing

- **Project:** Pettit National Ice Center, 500 S. 84th St. The facility is one of two Olympic training facilities in the US. Facility includes 400-meter speed skating oval, and two international size ice rinks used for hockey, figure skating, and short track speed skating. The Center is in Milwaukee, not West Allis.
- **Seller:** State of Wisconsin
- **Buyer:** Pettit National Ice Center, Inc., a non-profit, 501(c)(3) corporation. This is the entity that currently operates the Pettit Center. Board of Directors: Charles Henderson, Fred Luber, Robert Doucette, Gale Tanger, Patrick O'Brien, John Vice, Bonnie Blair-Cruikshank.
- **Acquisition Cost:** \$5.6 million (includes \$300,000 payment of past-due rent to State)
- **Closing:** Deadline is January 5, 2007
- **Industrial Bond Financing:** Up to \$2,500,000 is proposed to finance the acquisition. Balance of financing thru private contributions. The Industrial Bonds will carry a 'below market' interest rate because interest on bonds issued through the City is exempt from federal income taxes. City acts as a "conduit issuer" imparting the tax-exempt status on interest payments, but does **not** provide any guarantee of payment to the bondholder. TCF bank is the prospective bond purchaser.
- **Employment:** The Center currently has 10 employees and does not intend to change this level of employment in the foreseeable future.