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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *  HOVDE STEVEN D			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/30/2008		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. [WOLF]			
(Last) (First) (Middle)  1629 COLONIAL PARKWAY (Street)  INVERNESS, IL 60067		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)  _XDirector10% OwnerOfficerOther (give title below) (specify below)			<ul> <li>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</li> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Table I - N	lon-Derivat	tive Securiti	ies Be	neficially Owned
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	ity			2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)	f Securities	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		ture of Indirect Beneficial ership
Common Sto	ock			89,671		D	Â	
Common Sto	ock			2,500 (1)		D	Â	
Common Stock			19,315 <u>(2)</u>		I	See Footnote 2		
Common Sto	ock			8,825 (3)		I	See	Footnote 3
Reminder: Repo owned directly o	or indirectly.  Person  inform  require	ns who responta	pond to the co pined in this fo and unless the MB control nu	ollection of orm are not of form displa		EC 1473 (7-02	()	

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

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership

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(Month/Day/Year)		Derivative S (Instr. 4)	Security	or Exercise Price of	Form of Derivative	(Instr. 5
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HOVDE STEVEN D 1629 COLONIAL PARKWAY INVERNESS  II. 60067	ÂX	Â	Â	Â		

# **Signatures**

Steven D. Hovde 11/03/2008

\*\*Signature of Person 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).
- On October 30, 2008, Steven D. Hovde was granted 2,500 restricted shares of common stock by Great Wolf Resorts, Inc. in connection (1) with his election to the Board of Directors. The vesting of these shares will be over three years, with 1/3 of each of the grant vesting on the following dates: 10/30/2009, 10/30/2010, and 10/30/2011. The shares were granted at a price of \$1.62 per share.
- (2) Steven 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.
- (3) Steven 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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