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 BLOOMBERG NEWS

Tom Perkins, who is leaving the News Corp. board next month after saying two octogenarian directors are too many, wouldn't feel so old if he served at Warren Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway.

Buffett, 81, and Vice Chairman Charles Munger, 87, are among six directors on the 12-member board at Berkshire who are at least 80 years old. News Corp. Director Kenneth Cowley, 76, is also stepping down at the firm's Oct. 21 annual meeting as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Rupert Murdoch, 80, adds 50-year-old James Breyer to the board.

Buffett's influence

Berkshire's willingness to retain directors in their ninth decades reflects Buffett's influence on the firm and a national trend toward older boards. About 15 percent of directors at companies in the Standard & Poor's 500 index are older than 69, compared with 9.8 percent in 2002, according to executive-compensation benchmarking firm Equilar. Proxy filings show 52 directors are age 80 or older.

"You can have great 85-year-olds and horrible 55-year-olds," said Anne Sheehan, director of corporate governance for the \$155 billion California State Teachers' Retirement System. "A lot of this depends on the 80-year-old, because I'd love to have Warren Buffett on any board."

Boardroom age limits are less prevalent and set higher than they were five years ago, according

to the latest report on director trends by executive recruitment company Spencer Stuart. Companies use age limits to promote turnover and assure investors that management is getting new ideas. Those goals may instead be achieved through term limits, Sheehan said.

"You have to refresh the board, whether it's through term limits or through age limits," said Charles Elson, director of the University of Delaware's Center for Corporate Governance.

Murdoch is adding a venture capitalist in Breyer, who also serves on the boards of Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and Facebook. Former News Corp. Group General Counsel Arthur Siskind, 72, is set to become the company's oldest director after Murdoch. News Corp.'s Natalie Bancroft, a 31-year-old opera singer, is the youngest director at an S&P 500 firm.

Bancroft, whose family sold Dow Jones & Co. to News Corp., is among 17 directors under 40 at the time of the most recent proxy filings. Mortimer Caplin of DanaHER Corp. at 95 is the oldest of 10 directors over 85.

'Age is irrelevant'

"It's a question of competence," said Caplin, who served as commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service from 1961 to 1964. "In a way, I feel age is irrelevant."

A total of 64 percent of the directors at S&P 500 firms were 60 or older, and the average age was 62 years, according to the filings and company websites. That compares with averages of 70 for Berkshire and 60 for News Corp.

In addition to Buffett

and Munger, Berkshire's octogenarian directors include billionaires Walter Scott and David Gottesman, principal at investment advisory firm First Manhattan Co. and one of Berkshire's largest investors. Scott, a former chairman of construction company Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc., joined the Berkshire board in 1988 and in 2000 invested alongside Buffett's firm in the acquisition of MidAmerican Energy Holdings Co. He turned 80 this year.

Paying attention

"There is a concern at a certain point, 'Are you going to rubber-stamp, are you going to stop paying attention?'" said Jill Fisch, a professor at the University of Pennsylvania Law School who has written about corporate governance. "But I don't think there is a bright line in terms of age."

Another Berkshire director, former Coca-Cola Co. President Donald Keough, 85, is chairman of investment banking firm Allen & Co., which hosts the annual Sun Valley retreat for

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Murphy, 86, helped build Capital Cities/ABC. Berkshire's youngest director is 48-year-old Susan Decker, the former president of Yahoo. Gottesman, Keough and Murphy were ap-

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PROPOSED PLAN/DRAFT REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR SITE 32 FORMER NAVAL STATION TREASURE ISLAND SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

The Department of the Navy, in coordination with state (Department of Toxic Substances Control [DTSC] and Regional Water Quality Control Board) and federal environmental regulatory agencies, encourages the public to comment on the Proposed Plan/Draft Remedial Action Plan (RAP) for Installation Restoration Site 32, at the former Naval Station Treasure Island in San Francisco, California. Comments may be submitted in writing during the public comment period or may be presented verbally or in writing at the public meeting.

Site 32 occupies about 2.6 acres along the northeastern edge of the former Naval Station Treasure Island. The Proposed Plan/Draft RAP presents a summary of investigations as well as the preferred remedial alternative for Site 32. The Navy completed a cleanup action at Site 32, removing soil that contained contaminants above levels considered safe for unrestricted use. Since there is no longer a risk to human health or the environment, no additional cleanup action is necessary for Site 32. Therefore, the Navy's preferred remedial alternative is no further action.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Navy invites the public to review and comment on the Proposed Plan/Draft RAP during the 30-day public comment period from September 16 through October 17, 2011. Written public comments must be postmarked or e-mailed no later than October 17, 2011. Please send comments to Mr. James B. Sullivan, Navy BRAC PMO West, 1455 Frazee Road, Suite 900, San Diego, California 92108-4310, james.b.sullivan2@navy.mil, (619) 532-0966, or Ms. Remedios Sunga, DTSC Project Manager, 700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 200, Berkeley, California 94710, rsunga@dtsc.ca.gov, (510) 540-3840.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC, as the state lead agency, has prepared a Notice of Exemption having determined that the proposed project for the approval of the Proposed Plan/Draft RAP for Site 32 where No Further Action is proposed has no potential for a significant impact on the environment. The Draft Notice of Exemption is available for review during the public comment period at the locations listed below.

PUBLIC MEETING

The Navy will host a public meeting to present the Proposed Plan/Draft RAP and to accept verbal and written comments. The Navy will conduct a formal presentation at 6:30 p.m. This presentation will be followed by a Navy open house until 8:30 p.m., when you can view information displays at your own pace and speak one-on-one with representatives of the Navy and the regulatory agencies.

Date: Tuesday, September 27, 2011 Location: Casa de la Vista
 Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. 191 Avenue of the Palms, Building 271
 Treasure Island, San Francisco, California 94130

FOR MORE INFORMATION

The Proposed Plan/Draft RAP is available on the Navy Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Program Management Office website, www.bracpmo.navy.mil. The Proposed Plan/Draft RAP and other site documents are available for review at:

San Francisco Public Library	Navy BRAC Caretaker Support Office	DTSC File Room
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All documents are also available on DTSC's Envirostor webpage: www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public

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FILE NO. A-0337915-00

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