OTHER HOCKEY LEAGUES

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AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE (AHL) (AAA)

League Update: The AHL had three team changes in 2013–2014: The Connecticut Whale changed their name back to the Hartford Wolf Pack; the Houston Aeros relocated to Des Moines, Iowa and became the Iowa Wild; and the Peoria Rivermen moved to the Southern Professional Hockey League. With the relocation of the Abbotsford Heat (now Adirondack Flames) and the Adirondack Phantoms (now Lehigh Valley Phantoms), the AHL realigned the league. The Flames will be play in the North Division and the Phantoms will be playing in the East Division. The Syracuse Crunch moved from the East Division to the Northeast Division. Lake Erie moved from the North Division to the Midwest Division and the Iowa Wild moved from the Midwest to the West Division.

Additionally, the NHL and AHL have discussed moving teams west in order to accommodate the NHL’s western franchises. Having teams on the west coast would make player transfers easier from the minor leagues to the NHL for the western teams.

Team: Adirondack Flames

Affiliate: Calgary Flames
Principal Owner: Calgary Flames
Team Website

Arena: Glen Falls Civic Center
Date Built: 1979
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $3
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: In April 2014, the City of Abbotsford paid the owners of the Adirondack Flames (at that time known as the Abbotsford Heat) $5.5 million to end the team's contract with the City. The team had already cost the city $7.3 million. The Flames were then moved to Glen Falls, NY, and on May 16, 2014, the Calgary Flames introduced the Adirondack Flames as their AAA affiliate.
Glen Falls is currently seeking a buyer for the Civic Center. The City will offer the Center in a public auction on or around August 18, 2014, with a minimum bid of $1.5 million. The minimum bid of $1.5 million could cover all of the building's current debt, and the new owner would be required to honor the city's lease with the Adirondack Flames.

**NAMING RIGHTS:** There are currently no naming rights for the Glen Falls Civic Center.

**Team: Lehigh Valley Phantoms**

**Affiliate:** Philadelphia Flyers  
**Principal Owner:** Brooks Group  
Team Website

**Arena:** PPL Center  
**Date Built:** 2014  
**Facility Cost ($/Mil):** $177 (estimated)  
**Facility Financing:** N/A  
Facility Website

**UPDATE:** The Adirondack Phantoms moved to Allentown, PA, and will be called the Lehigh Valley Phantoms. In addition to moving locations, the team switched the colors on its logo. The Brooks group signed a 29-year lease with the City of Allentown and the new arena, the PPL Center.

The PPL Center will be an 8,500-seat arena when it is completed in September 2014. Renovations to the area around the PPL Center will also take place.

**NAMING RIGHTS:** The PPL Corporation owns the naming rights to the PPL Center after paying an undisclosed sum for a 10-year deal. The payment will take place each year for the term of the agreement.

**Team: Albany Devils**

**Affiliate:** New Jersey Devils  
**Principal Owner:** New Jersey Devils  
Team Website

**Arena:** Times Union Center  
**Date Built:** 1990  
**Facility Cost ($/Mil):** $68  
**Facility Financing:** N/A  
Facility Website
UPDATE: The Times Union Center was ranked seventh in StadiumJourney.com’s 2013 AHL Arena Rankings.

NAMING RIGHTS: In January 2007, the county signed a $3.5 million, 10-year naming-rights contract with the Times Union that expires in 2016. The newspaper agreed to pay $350,000 a year, as well as provide advertising and other promotional benefits.

Team: Binghamton Senators

Affiliate: Ottawa Senators
Principal Owner: Thomas Mitchell
Team Website

Arena: Broome County Veterans Memorial Arena
Date Built: 1973
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $7.5
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: There are no current naming rights deals for the Veterans Memorial Arena.

Team: Bridgeport Sound Tigers

Affiliate: New York Islanders
Principal Owner: Charles Wang
Team Website

Arena: Webster Bank Arena
Date Built: 2001
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $35
Facility Financing: 100% publicly funded.
Facility Website

UPDATE: In August 2013, the Sound Tigers announced that Harbor Yard Sports and Entertainment selected an innovative new LED lighting system to illuminate the 10,000-seat Webster Bank Arena. The installation was completed by the home opener on October 5. The new lighting system allows for lower electricity consumption levels while improving the quality of the lighting. United Illuminating Company will help Webster Bank Arena defray a portion of the costs through the Energy Efficiency Fund.

NAMING RIGHTS: In January 2011, Webster Bank agreed to purchase the naming rights to the arena for $3.5 million over ten years, through 2021.
Team: Charlotte Checkers

Affiliate: Carolina Hurricanes  
Principal Owner: Michael Kahn  
Team Website

Arena: Time Warner Cable Arena  
Date Built: 2005  
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $260  
Facility Financing: 100% publicly funded.  
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: The Charlotte Bobcats (NBA) exchanged the naming rights to the arena for the termination of a contract that prohibited satellite TV companies from showing Bobcats games. No information was released detailing if Time Warner had plans to pay for the naming rights at some point in the future.

Team: Chicago Wolves

Affiliate: St. Louis Blues  
Principal Owner: Don Levin, William Buddy Meyers, and Seth Gold  
Team Website

Arena: Allstate Arena  
Date Built: 1980, renovated in 1999  
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $11  
Facility Financing: N/A  
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: Allstate Insurance Company agreed to a 10-year extension of its naming rights agreement in 2010. The deal lasts until 2020 and is worth $11 million.

Team: Grand Rapids Griffins

Affiliate: Detroit Red Wings  
Principal Owner: Dan DeVos and David Van Andel  
Team Website

Arena: Van Andel Arena  
Date Built: 1996  
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $75
Facility Financing: The DeVos family contributed $15 million and the Van Andel family contributed $11.5 million. Other private interests paid $8.5 million and state taxes funded the remainder.

Facility Website

UPDATE: The Grand Rapids Griffins won the 2013 Calder Cup, the first championship in the franchise’s history. For the 2013-2014 season, the Griffins held a contest in which fans submitted designs for alternate jerseys that the team wore during one of its home games.

NAMING RIGHTS: Grand Action was responsible for securing the name to the Van Andel Arena, named for Amway founder, Jay Van Andel, who gave $11.5 million toward the arena.

Team: Hamilton Bulldogs

Affiliate: Montreal Canadiens
Principal Owner: Michael Andlauer
Team Website

Arena: FirstOntarioCentre
Date Built: 1985
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $33.5 Canadian
Facility Financing: The city borrowed C$17.79 million from the Ontario Municipal Board, C$8 million came from federal and provincial government contributions, C$10.9 million came from taxpayers and city reserves, and C$3.5 million came from public contributions.

Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: In 2014, the naming rights to Copps Coliseum was sold to FirstOntario, a local credit union, for $3.5 million over 10 years. The ice rink will be known as the Victor K. Copps rink, in honor of the former mayor and namesake of the FirstOntario Centre.

Team: Hartford Wolf Pack (formerly Connecticut Whale)

Affiliate: New York Rangers
Principal Owner: Madison Square Garden L.P.
Team Website

Arena: XL Center
Date Built: 1975 (heavily renovated in 1980 after the original roof collapsed)
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $30
Facility Financing: N/A

Facility Website
UPDATE: In 2014, the Connecticut legislature approved $35 million in renovations to the XL Center. Renovations include removing some lower level bowl seating, a concourse wall, and the current media center to make way for an interactive fan bar.

NAMING RIGHTS: While terms of the deal were not released, XL Capital Insurance purchased the naming rights to the Coliseum in December 2007 and re-named it the XL Center. The 6-year deal is expected to reach upwards of seven figures, allowing XL to place its logo on the front of the building, as well as the playing surface. The naming-rights agreement expires in 2013.

Team: Hershey Bears

Affiliate: Washington Capitals
Principal Owner: Hershey Entertainment & Resorts Company
Team Website

Arena: GIANT Center
Date Built: 2002
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $64 specifically for the arena; $95 for the arena, roads, parking lots, and infrastructure
Facility Financing: The state contributed $25 million towards building the arena.
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: In May 2011, GIANT Food, a grocery store chain, signed a 10-year contract to renew the naming rights of the GIANT Center, which have been in place since 2002.

Team: Iowa Wild (Formerly Houston Aeros)

Affiliate: Minnesota Wild
Principal Owner: Minnesota Sports & Entertainment, led by Craig Leipold
Team Website

Arena: Wells Fargo Arena
Date Built: 2005
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $117
Facility Financing: The Iowa Events Center, of which Wells Fargo Arena is a part, was funded through various sources. The Vision Iowa Board approved a $50 million grant for the Center, as well as an additional $5 million grant for the Iowa Hall of Pride, located in the Hy-Vee Hall within the Center. The Polk County Board of Supervisors directed the sale of $158.9 million in Essential County Purpose General Obligation Bonds for the construction of the Center. These bonds will be repaid with revenue from Prairie Meadows Racetrack and Casino, owned by Polk County. The City of Des Moines provided $3 million to Polk County for the realignment of Third Street and skywalk construction for the Center.
Facility Website
UPDATE: In April 2013, it was announced that the Houston Aeros would be moving to Des Moines, Iowa for the 2013–2014 season and would be called the Iowa Wild, due to the Minnesota Sports and Entertainment group being unable to reach a lease agreement with the Toyota Center. The Iowa Wild is the new AHL development affiliate of the Minnesota Wild and will played in the Western Conference Midwest Division for the 2013–2014 season. The Iowa Wild have been moved to the West Division for the 2014-2015 season.

NAMING RIGHTS: Wells Fargo agreed to pay Polk County $11.5 million over twenty years, beginning on February 1, 2005, for naming rights to the arena.

Team: Lake Erie Monsters

Affiliate: Colorado Avalanche
Principal Owner: Dan Gilbert
Team Website

Arena: Quicken Loans Arena
Date Built: 1994
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $100
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: In August 2013, the Rochester Americans announced that they would host an outdoor game against the Monsters on December 13, 2013. The game was played at Frontier Field, the home of the Triple-A baseball’s Rochester Red Wings of the International League. The outdoor game was the first ever for both the Monsters and the Americans.

In 2014, the Fort Wayne Komets signed an affiliation agreement with the Lake Erie Monsters and Colorado Avalanche.

NAMING RIGHTS: Naming rights for the Quicken Loans Arena was part of Dan Gilbert’s $375 million purchase of the Cleveland Cavaliers (NBA) and its properties in 2005.

Team: Manchester Monarchs

Affiliate: Los Angeles Kings
Principal Owner: Anschutz Entertainment Group (AEG)
Team Website

Arena: Verizon Wireless Arena
Date Built: 2001
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $67
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website
NAMING RIGHTS: Verizon is paying $11.4 million over fifteen years for a naming rights deal that expires in 2016.

Team: Milwaukee Admirals

Affiliate: Nashville Predators
Principal Owner: Milwaukee Admirals, LLC, headed by Harris Turer

Arena: BMO Harris Bradley Center
Date Built: 1988
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $90
Facility Financing: The Petit family donated the money as a gift to the people of Wisconsin, and in memory of Jane Bradley Pettit’s father, Harry Lynde Bradley.

UPDATE: Bradley Center officials say the arena needs $23 million in renovations, but are not sure where that money will come from since the Wisconsin Governor rejected a proposal to provide $10 million for Bradley Center renovations. Officials have also discussed building a new facility in Milwaukee, but that could cost the public $300 million. The Milwaukee Bucks’ (NBA) former owner, Herb Kohl, said it is time for a new arena to replace the Bradley Center, and even offered a personal financial commitment to support a new arena. Kohl pledged $100 million towards construction of a new arena and new owners Wesley Edens and Marc Lasry made similar commitments.

NAMING RIGHTS: BMO Harris Bank bought the naming rights for the Bradley Center in May 2012, and it is now the BMO Harris Bradley Center.

Team: Norfolk Admirals

Affiliate: Anaheim Ducks
Principal Owner: Norfolk Tides Baseball Club; led by managing partner Ken Young

Arena: Norfolk Scope Arena
Date Built: 1971
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $28.1 ($23 federally funded)
Facility Financing: N/A

NAMING RIGHTS: There are currently no naming rights agreements for the arena. The arena gets its name from a shortened form of the word kaleidoscope to reflect the wide variety of events that take place at the arena.
Team: Oklahoma City Barons

Affiliate: Edmonton Oilers
Principal Owner: Prodigal Hockey, LLC; led by President Bob Funk, Jr.
Team Website

Arena: Cox Convention Center
Date Built: 1972, renovated in 2005
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $71
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: Cox Communications agreed to a naming rights agreement with the city. The terms of this agreement were not disclosed.

Team: Portland Pirates

Affiliate: Phoenix Coyotes
Principal Owner: Portland Pirates, LLC; headed by Brian Petrovek
Team Website

Arena: Cross Insurance Arena
Date Built: 1977
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $5
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: Due to Cross Insurance Arena’s renovations, the Portland Pirates played their 2013–2014 home games at the Androscoggin Bank Colisée in Lewiston, Maine. The $34 million renovation was delayed more than three months due to the Portland Pirates hosting playoff games. The Pirates signed a new 5-year lease with the Arena in April 2013.

NAMING RIGHTS: Cross Insurance purchased the naming rights to the Cross Insurance Arena. The deal will last ten years and cost $2.5 million.

Team: Providence Bruins

Affiliate: Boston Bruins
Principal Owner: H. Larue Renfroe
Team Website

Arena: Dunkin’ Donuts Center
Date Built: 1972, renovated in 2008
Facility Cost ($/Mil): 13  
Facility Financing: Publicly funded  
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: Dunkin' Donuts originally paid $8.65 million over ten years for a naming rights deal that expired in May 2011. In June 2011, Dunkin’ Donuts and the Convention Center Authority reached a deal to extend the deal through 2021 for $4.25 million.

Team: Rochester Americans

Affiliate: Buffalo Sabres  
Principal Owner: Terry Pegula  
Team Website

Arena: Blue Cross Arena at the War Memorial  
Date Built: 1955, renovated in 1998  
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $7.5 ($41 for 1998 renovation and expansion)  
Facility Financing: N/A  
Facility Website

UPDATE: In August 2013, the Rochester Americans announced that they would host an outdoor game against the Lake Erie Monsters on December 13, 2013. The game was played at Frontier Field, the home of the Triple-A baseball’s Rochester Red Wings of the International League. The outdoor game was the first ever for both the Americans and the Monsters.

NAMING RIGHTS: In 2013, Blue Cross reached an agreement with the city of Rochester to extend its naming agreement, which was for $2.975 million, another 15 years for the same terms as the original agreement. Blue Cross will pay $195,000 each year through 2028 to keep its name on the Arena.

Team: Rockford IceHogs

Affiliate: Chicago Blackhawks  
Principal Owner: Centre Events, Dr. Kris Tumilowicz, and Craig Drecktrah  
Team Website

Arena: BMO Harris Bank Center  
Date Built: 1979, renovated in 2005, renovated in 2007–13  
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $3.8 for 2005 renovations, $25 for 2013 renovations  
Facility Financing: N/A  
Facility Website
NAMING RIGHTS: The Rockford MetroCentre became the BMO Harris Bank Center in 2011, pursuant to a naming-rights agreement. BMO Harris is paying $1.3 million over five years for the naming rights, which expire in 2016.

Team: San Antonio Rampage

Affiliate: Florida Panthers
Principal Owner: Spurs Sports and Entertainment
Team Website

Arena: AT&T Center
Date Built: 2002
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $175
Facility Financing: $146.5 million was generated through a county tax increase and an increase in hotel and rental car taxes. The San Antonio Spurs (NBA) contributed $28.5 million themselves, which they raised through a $1.00 increase in ticket fees for NBA games and a $1.00 parking surcharge.
Facility Website

UPDATE: In 2014, Bexar County, where the AT&T Center is located, approved $6 million in upgrades to the AT&T Center. This upgrade will give the arena wireless Internet capabilities.

NAMING RIGHTS: AT&T Inc. is paying $41 million over twenty years for naming rights that expire in 2022.

Team: Springfield Falcons

Affiliate: Columbus Blue Jackets
Principal Owner: Falcons Hockey Entertainment, LLC
Team Website

Arena: MassMutual Center
Date Built: 1972, renovated in 2005
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $10.3 ($71 for 2005 renovation)
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company is paying $5 million for a 15-year naming rights deal that began in 2005.
Team: St. John’s IceCaps (formerly the Manitoba Moose)

Affiliate: Winnipeg Jets
Principal Owner: True North Sports & Entertainment Limited
Team Website

Arena: Mile One Centre
Date Built: 2001
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $20.5 Canadian; $24.3 US
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: In 2014, it was announced that the IceCaps would be moving to Thunder Bay, Ontario. The team will not move until the 2016-2017 season, at the earliest.

NAMING RIGHTS: The naming rights were sold and transferred before the arena opened. Danny Williams, the former owner of Cable Atlantic, owns the naming rights and decided to name the arena based on its location at the beginning of the Trans-Canada Highway. The Williams Family Foundation trademarked the name “Mile One.”

Team: Syracuse Crunch

Affiliate: Tampa Bay Lightning
Principal Owner: Howard Dolgon
Team Website

Arena: War Memorial Arena at The Oncenter
Date Built: 1951
Facility Cost ($/Mil): N/A
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: There is currently no naming-rights agreement for the War Memorial Arena at The Oncenter.

Team: Texas Stars

Affiliate: Dallas Stars
Principal Owner: Hicks Holdings, LLC; led by Thomas O. Hicks Jr., Mack H. Hicks, and Alex Hicks
Team Website

Arena: Cedar Park Center
UPDATE: In 2014, Northland Properties Corporation, the parent holding company of the NHL's Dallas Stars, announced it is buying the Texas Stars and will take over operations of the Cedar Park Center. Once the purchase is finalized, the Texas Stars will be the 14th AHL team to be owned by its NHL affiliate.

NAMING RIGHTS: Cedar Park Center is named for Cedar Park, Texas, where the arena is located. There are no naming rights agreements in place.

Team: Toronto Marlies

Affiliate: Toronto Maple Leafs
Principal Owner: Maple Leaf Sports & Entertainment

Arena: Ricoh Coliseum
Date Built: 1921, renovated in 2003
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $1.5 Canadian ($38 Canadian for 2003 renovation)
Facility Financing: N/A

NAMING RIGHTS: Ricoh Canada Inc. is paid C$7.5 million over ten years for a naming rights deal that expired in 2013. No information on a renewal of the agreement could be found, but the venue continues to use the moniker.

Team: Utica Comets

Affiliate: Vancouver Canucks
Principal Owner: Canucks Sports and Entertainment

Arena: Utica Memorial Auditorium
Date Built: 1960, renovated in 2013
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $4.5 ($5 for 2013 renovations)
Facility Financing: N/A

UPDATE: In June 2013, the AHL announced that the Board of Governors approved the relocation of the franchise owned by the NHL’s Vancouver Canucks to Utica, NY. The Comets began play in the Western Conference North Division during the 2013–2014 season. The agreement between
the Canucks and Utica is a 6-year deal, with a 6-year re-up option. The relocation would not have been possible if the state of New York had not provided financial assistance to fund arena upgrades, including new locker rooms, food service areas, and a new video scoreboard. $5 million in assistance was provided to upgrade the arena.

NAMING RIGHTS: There are currently no naming rights for the auditorium.

Team: Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins

Affiliate: Pittsburgh Penguins
Principal Owner: Pittsburgh Penguins
Team Website

Arena: Mohegan Sun Arena at Casey Plaza
Date Built: 1999
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $44
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: Mohegan Sun agreed to pay $2.38 million over ten years for naming rights to the arena. The agreement expires in 2020.

Team: Worcester Sharks

Affiliate: San Jose Sharks
Principal Owner: San Jose Sports and Entertainment Enterprises
Team Website

Arena: DCU Center
Date Built: 1982, renovated in 2013
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $25.6 ($23 for 2013 renovations)
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: The Worcester Sharks have agreed to a 3-year contract extension with the City of Worcester and the DCU Center, through 2016.

NAMING RIGHTS: Digital Federal Credit Union is paying $5.2 million over ten years for a naming rights deal that expires in 2014. On May 12, 2014, the City of Worcester announced that an agreement was reached to renew the naming rights to the DCU center through February 28, 2025 for $4.8 million, to be paid at the beginning of the agreement.
CENTRAL HOCKEY LEAGUE (CHL) (AA)

League Update: On August 5, 2014, it was reported that the CHL and the East Coast Hockey League (ECHL) were in talks about merging. The earliest a merger could take place would be the 2015-2016 season.

Team: Allen Americans

Affiliate: Dallas Stars (NHL), Texas Stars (AHL)
Principal Owner: Douglas H. Miller
Team Website

Arena: Allen Event Center
Date Built: 2009
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $70 (includes two parking garages)
Facility Financing: The city provided $47 million in bonds, with the remaining $23 million coming from the MGHerring Group. The city will reimburse MGHerring with revenue from the facility.
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: The arena is named for the town it is located in, Allen, Texas. There are no naming rights agreements in place for the arena.

Team: Arizona Sundogs

Affiliate: Phoenix Coyotes (NHL) and Portland Pirates (AHL)
Principal Owner: Eric Lacroix and Shawn P. Fowler
Team Website

Arena: Tim's Toyota Center
Date Built: 2006
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $25
Facility Financing: Prescott Valley paid $3 million for the arena with 2% of the local sales tax generated within an adjacent entertainment area set aside each year to cover debt service on the private-sector bonds used to finance the arena.
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: A local Toyota dealership in Prescott Valley, Arizona purchased the naming rights to the Center. The parties did not disclose the terms of the deal.
Team: Brampton Beast

Affiliate: None
Principal Owner: Gregg Rosen

Team Website

Arena: Powerade Centre
Date Built: 1998
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $26.5
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: The Brampton Beast signed a 15-year lease to play at the Powerade Centre.

NAMING RIGHTS: Coca-Cola entered into a 10-year naming rights deal in 2005. The Brampton Centre for Sports and Entertainment was then renamed Powerade Centre.

Team: Denver Cutthroats

Affiliate: Colorado Avalanche (NHL), Lake Erie Monsters (AHL)
Principal Owner: John Hayes

Team Website

Arena: Denver Coliseum
Date Built: 1951
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $3
Facility Financing: City of Denver
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: There is currently no naming-rights agreement for the arena, as it is named for the city that it is located in, Denver, CO.

Team: Missouri Mavericks

Affiliate: Chicago Wolves (AHL)
Principal Owner: Independence Professional Hockey, LLC; headed by Matt Adams, Mark Adams, and Mike Carper

Team Website

Arena: Independence Events Center
Date Built: 2009
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $60
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: In July 2014, the Mavericks won their 4th consecutive Franchise of the Year Award for the CHL.

NAMING RIGHTS: The arena is named for the town it is located in, Independence, Missouri. There are no naming rights deals.

Team: Quad City Mallards

Affiliate: Minnesota Wild
Principal Owner: Boston Pizza Restaurants
Team Website

Arena: iWireless Center
Date Built: 1993
Facility Cost ($/Mil): 33.4
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: In August 2013, the Minnesota Wild announced its affiliation with the Minnesota Wild.

NAMING RIGHTS: iWireless is paying $4.25 million over ten years for the naming rights to the arena (formerly called The MARK of the Quad Cities), which expire in 2017.

Team: Rapid City Rush

Affiliate: N/A
Principal Owner: Scott Mueller (Minority Owners are Barry Peterson and Donnie Ward)
Team Website

Arena: Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena
Date Built: 1977 (Ice arena completed in 2008)
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $24 for the Ice Arena
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: On July 25, 2014, the Rapid City Council approved the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Expansion Project for an amount not exceeding $180 million. For the project to move forward, there will still need to be another vote and a financing package must get approved. The "blue design concept" provides for a new arena that "rolls" into the current Don Barnett Arena to create a more dynamic space. The hockey arena will not be affected by this expansion project.
NAMING RIGHTS: There is no naming rights deal in place for the arena. The arena is named for its location near Mt. Rushmore.

Team: St. Charles Chill (formerly Laredo Bucks)

Affiliate: St. Louis Blues
Principal Owner: Gustavo Hernandez, Alfonso Arguindegui, and Glenn Hart
Team Website: N/A

Arena: The Family Arena
Date Built: 1999
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $27
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: On October 17, 2013, the Chill and the St. Louis Blues announced an affiliation agreement.

NAMING RIGHTS: There is currently no naming rights deal for the arena.

Team: Fort Worth Brahmas (formerly Texas Brahmas)

Affiliate: N/A
Principal Owner: Mike Barack
Team Website: N/A

Arena: TBD
Date Built: N/A
Facility Cost ($/Mil): N/A
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website: N/A

UPDATE: In June 2013, new owner, Mike Barack, announced that the Brahmas are in need of a new venue suitable for Central Hockey League play; therefore, operations have been suspended until a new arena is found. Barack indicated that he wants a 6,000-seat venue.

NAMING RIGHTS: N/A
Team: Tulsa Oilers

Affiliate: N/A
Principal Owner: Steven Brothers Sports Management, LLC; comprised of Rodney, Brandon, and Johnny Steven
Team Website

Arena: Bank of Oklahoma Center (BOK Center)
Date Built: 2008
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $178
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: The Bank of Oklahoma purchased naming rights for $11 million over twenty years. The naming rights expire 2027.

Team: Wichita Thunder

Affiliate: N/A
Principal Owner: Steven Brothers Sports Management, LLC; comprised of Rodney, Brandon, and Johnny Steven
Team Website

Arena: INTRUST Bank Arena
Date Built: 2010
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $205.5
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: INTRUST Bank purchased naming rights for the incomplete arena in January 2008. It paid $8.75 million for twenty-five years. Furthermore, Cessna Aircraft Company will pay $3 million over twenty years to name an adjacent outdoor plaza.
EAST COAST HOCKEY LEAGUE (ECHL) (AA)

League Update: The Trenton Titans ceased operations in April 2013.

Team: Alaska Aces

Affiliate(s): Calgary Flames (NHL)
Principal Owner: Dan Coffey, Jerry Mackie, Rod Udd, Al Haynes, and Steve Adams
Team Website

Arena: Sullivan Arena
Date Built: 1983
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $25
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: The Arena is named after a former Anchorage Mayor, George M. Sullivan, and is now owned by the Municipality of Anchorage.

Team: Bakersfield Condors

Affiliate(s): Edmonton Oilers (NHL); Oklahoma City Barons (AHL)
Principal Owner: Jonathan Fleisig
Team Website

Arena: Rabobank Arena
Date Built: 1998
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $38
Facility Financing: Publicly financed by the City of Bakersfield.
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: Rabobank acquired naming rights to the then-Centennial Gardens Convention Center in 2005. The agreement is reportedly for $2.5 million and lasts for ten years.

Team: Cincinnati Cyclones

Affiliate(s): Florida Panthers and Nashville Predators (NHL); San Antonio Rampage and Milwaukee Admirals (AHL)
Principal Owner: Nederlander Entertainment
Team Website

Arena: U.S. Bank Arena
**Date Built:** 1975  
**Facility Cost ($/Mil):** $20  
**Facility Financing:** N/A  
**Facility Website**

**NAMING RIGHTS:** U.S. Bank is currently under a 10-year, $3 million naming rights deal for the arena.

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**Team: Colorado Eagles**

**Affiliate:** Calgary Flames  
**Principal Owner:** Martin Lind and Ralph Backstrom  
**Team Website**

**Arena:** Budweiser Events Center  
**Date Built:** 2003  
**Facility Cost ($/Mil):** $60  
**Facility Financing:** N/A  
**Facility Website**

**UPDATE:** In 2014, the Calgary Flames reached a one-year affiliation deal with the Colorado Eagles.

**NAMING RIGHTS:** Budweiser is paying $1.5 million over twenty years for a naming rights deal that expires in 2023.

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**Team: Elmira Jackals**

**Affiliate(s):** Ottawa Senators (NHL); Binghamton Senators (AHL)  
**Principal Owner:** Tom Freeman and Nathan Cook  
**Team Website**

**Arena:** First Arena  
**Date Built:** 2000  
**Facility Cost ($/Mil):** $15.5  
**Facility Financing:** Lauridon Sports Management, Inc. officials agreed to put $7.25 million into the arena. State aid, a loan from the U.S. Housing and Urban Development Department, and revenue from the Chemung County hotel room tax will make up the remaining $8.25 million.  
**Facility Website**

**NAMING RIGHTS:** The arena was called The Coach USA Center when it opened, but became First Arena when First Transit purchased Coach USA in 2003. First Transit took over the original 10-year, $1 million agreement that ran through 2010. Information about a renewal was not available, and the arena name is unchanged.
Team: Evansville IceMen

Affiliate: Columbus Blue Jackets (NHL); Springfield Falcons (AHL)
Principal Owner: Ron Geary
Team Website

Arena: Ford Center
Date Built: 2011
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $127.5
Facility Financing: The three primary sources of public financing were the Food & Beverage Tax, Casino Aztar riverboat revenues, and Downtown Development Area TIF District funds. None of the funds have any effect on the City’s standard operating budget.
Facility Website

UPDATE: In July 2013, the Evansville IceMen announced that the player development deal with the NHL’s Columbus Blue Jackets and their AHL partners, the Springfield Falcons, was renewed; the partnership with the St. Louis Blues was terminated.

NAMING RIGHTS: In August 2011, the arena became the Ford Center when the Tri-State Ford Dealers acquired the naming rights. For the naming rights, the Tri-State Ford Dealers will pay the City of Evansville more than $4.2 million over ten years.

Team: Florida Everblades

Affiliates: Carolina Hurricanes and Tampa Bay Lightning (NHL); Charlotte Checkers and Syracuse Crunch (AHL)
Principal Owner: Craig Brush and Peter Karmanos Jr.
Team Website

Arena: Germain Arena
Date Built: 1998
Facility Cost ($/Mil): 25
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: Germain Motor Company is paying $7 million over twenty years for a naming rights deal that expires in 2018.
Team: Fort Wayne Komets

Affiliate: Colorado Avalanche (NHL) and Lake Erie Monsters (AHL)
Principal Owner: Summit Sports, Inc., comprised of Michael Franke, David Franke, and Scott Sproat
Team Website

Arena: Allen County War Memorial Coliseum
Date Built: 1952
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $2.6 ($26 for the 1989 renovation; $35 for the 2002 renovation)
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: The Komets agreed to a one-year affiliation agreement with the Colorado Avalanche and the Lake Erie Monsters in for the 2013-2014 season.

NAMING RIGHTS: The arena is named as a living memorial to the nation's war veterans.

Team: Greenville Road Warriors

Affiliate(s): New York Rangers (NHL); Hartford Wolf Pack (AHL)
Principal Owner: Chestnut Street Sports, LLC
Team Website

Arena: Bon Secours Wellness Center
Date Built: 1998
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $63
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: In July 2013, the Greenville Road Warriors announced the renewal of their affiliation agreement with the NHL’s New York Rangers and the AHL’s Hartford Wolf Pack for the 2013–2014 season.

NAMING RIGHTS: After 15 years of being known as the BI-LO Center, the naming rights to the Arena were sold to the Bon Secours St. Francis hospital system for $4.5 million over 10 years.

Team: Gwinnett Gladiators

Affiliate(s): Phoenix Coyotes (NHL); Portland Pirates (AHL)
Principal Owner: Gwinnett County Hockey, LLC, headed by Toby Jeffreys
Team Website
**UPDATE:** In August 2013, the Gwinnett Gladiators renewed their affiliation with the NHL’s Phoenix Coyotes and the AHL’s Portland Pirates for the 2013–2014 season.

The Gwinnet Gladiators and the Arena at Gwinnett Center agreed to a 5-year extension that will keep the team in Duluth through the 2018-2019 season.

**NAMING RIGHTS:** The arena is currently named for the county in which it resides. There are no naming rights deals in place.

**Team: Idaho Steelheads**

**Affiliate(s):** Dallas Stars (NHL); Texas Stars (AHL)
**Principal Owner:** Idaho Sports Properties/Block 22; headed by John Cunningham

**Arena:** CenturyLink Arena Boise
**Date Built:** 1997
**Facility Cost ($/Mil):** $50
**Facility Financing:** N/A

**UPDATE:** In June 2013, the Idaho Steelheads announced the renewal of their developmental affiliation agreement with the NHL’s Dallas Stars and the AHL’s Texas Stars for the 2013–2014 season.

**NAMING RIGHTS:** In August 2011, CenturyLink took over Qwest Communications and the venue’s name changed from Quest Arena to CenturyLink Arena Boise.

**Team: Kalamazoo Wings**

**Affiliate:** Vancouver Canucks (NHL)
**Principal Owner:** William D. Johnston

**Arena:** Wings Stadium
**Date Built:** 1974
**Facility Cost ($/Mil):** N/A
**Facility Financing:** N/A
Facility Website

**NAMING RIGHTS**: The arena is named for the team that plays there. There are no naming rights deals in place.

**Team: Las Vegas Wranglers**

**Affiliate**: N/A  
**Principal Owner**: Gary Jacobs

**Team Website**

**Arena**: N/A  
**Date Built**: N/A  
**Facility Cost ($/Mil)**: N/A  
**Facility Financing**: N/A  
**Facility Website**: N/A

**UPDATE**: The Wranglers announced that they would not be playing the 2014-2015 season due to lack of an arena. The Wranglers failed to secure a renewal of their lease with the Orleans Arena.

**Team: Ontario Reign**

**Affiliate(s)**: Los Angeles Kings and Winnipeg Jets (NHL); St. John’s IceCaps and Manchester Monarchs (AHL)  
**Principal Owner**: Anschutz Entertainment Group

**Team Website**

**Arena**: Citizens Business Bank Arena  
**Date Built**: 2008  
**Facility Cost ($/Mil)**: $130  
**Facility Financing**: N/A  
**Facility Website**

**NAMING RIGHTS**: Citizens Business Bank agreed to a 10-year, multi-million dollar naming rights agreement that will expire in 2018. The exact financial details were not disclosed.

**Team: Orlando Solar Bears**

**Affiliate(s)**: Toronto Maple Leafs (NHL) Toronto Marlies (AHL)  
**Principal Owner**: Orlando Pro Hockey Operations, L.P; controlled by Joe Haleski, Jason Siegel, and Bob Ohrablo

**Team Website**
Arena: The Amway Center  
**Date Built:** 2008  
**Facility Cost ($/Mil):** $480  
**Facility Financing:** The City of Orlando, on behalf of the Central Florida Community, owns and operates the arena. There was a public-private partnership to help construct the arena, establishing that the Orlando Magic (NBA) pay the City of Orlando $2.75 million every year for 30 years in exchange for exclusive marketing rights.  
[Facility Website](#)  

**UPDATE:** In June 2013, the ECHL announced that Orlando and the Solar Bears will host the 2015 ECHL All-Star Game at Amway Center.  

In 2014, the Solar Bears renewed their affiliation with the Toronto Maple Leafs (NHL) and Toronto Marlies (AHL) for the next two seasons.  

**NAMING RIGHTS:** Amway Corp. is paying the City of Orlando $40 million for a 10-year naming rights agreement for the Amway Center, also home to NBA’s Orlando Magic. Amway purchased the original naming rights in December 2006 for the Amway Arena, and had right of first refusal to have its name on the new arena.  

**Team: Reading Royals**  

**Affiliate(s):** Philadelphia Flyers (NHL)  
**Principal Owner:** SMG and Berks County Convention Center Authority (BCCCA)  
[Team Website](#)  

**Arena:** Santander Arena  
**Date Built:** 2001  
**Facility Cost ($/Mil):** $25  
**Facility Financing:** $12.5 million came from a state grant and Burkes County contributed the other $12.5 million, partially through a 5% hotel room tax.  
[Facility Website](#)  

**UPDATE:** In 2014, the Royals ended their affiliation with the Washington Capitals (NHL) and Hershey Bears (AHL) and greed to an affiliation with the Philadelphia Flyers (NHL)  

**NAMING RIGHTS:** Sovereign Bank owns the naming rights to the stadium, but the terms of the deal were not disclosed. In 2013 Sovereign Bank rebranded itself Santander Bank and updated the name of the Arena with the brand change.
Team: San Francisco Bulls

Affiliate(s): San Jose Sharks (NHL); Worcester Sharks (AHL)
Principal Owner: Pat Elouise Bird Curcio, Shmuel Farhi, Peter Higley, and Jim Chapman
Team Website: N/A

Arena: Cow Palace
Date Built: 1941
Facility Cost ($/Mil): N/A
Facility Financing: Part of the funding came from 19 firms and individuals who contributed $20,000 each to purchase the land for the facility in 1925.
Facility Website

UPDATE: In 2014, the San Francisco Bulls ceased operations.

NAMING RIGHTS: There is no naming rights agreement for the arena currently.

Team: South Carolina Stingrays

Affiliate(s): Boston Bruins (NHL); Providence Bruins (AHL)
Principal Owner: Anita Zucker and Jonathan Zucker
Team Website

Arena: North Charleston Coliseum
Date Built: 1993
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $20
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: In 2014, the Stingrays renewed their affiliation agreement with the Bruins for the 2014-2015 season.

NAMING RIGHTS: There are no naming rights agreements currently in place.

Team: Stockton Thunder

Affiliate(s): New York Islanders (NHL); Bridgeport Sound Tigers (AHL)
Principal Owner: SC Hockey Franchise Corporation; led by Brad Rowbotham
Team Website

Arena: Stockton Arena
Date Built: 2005
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $64
**Facility Financing:** Publicly financed by the City of Stockton.

**Facility Website**

**UPDATE:** In July 2013, the Stockton Thunder announced a one-year affiliation agreement with the NHL’s New York Islanders and AHL’s Bridgeport Sound Tigers for the 2013–2014 season.

**NAMING RIGHTS:** The arena is named after the city, but officials continue to look for a naming-rights buyer.

### Team: Toledo Walleye

**Affiliate(s):** Detroit Red Wings and Chicago Blackhawks (NHL); Grand Rapids Griffins and Rockford IceHogs (AHL)  
**Principal Owner:** Toledo Arena Sports, Inc.  
**Team Website**

**Arena:** Huntington Center  
**Date Built:** 2009  
**Facility Cost ($/Mil):** $105  
**Facility Financing:** Lucas County financed the Huntington Center by raising the hotel-motel lodging tax from eight percent to ten percent to generate $5 million. The county also issued $60 million in bonds and notes, and secured additional public funding through state and local leaders. An additional $2.1 million came from a six-year naming-rights deal with Huntington Bank.  
**Facility Website**

**UPDATE:** In August 2013, Street & Smith’s SportsBusiness Journal named Toledo the Top Minor League Market in the country for 2013. The ranking is determined by fan base, tenured clubs, and the economy.

The Huntington Center was ranked eighth in the world in the 2013 mid-year rankings by concert industry magazine Venues Today. The venues are ranked by the highest gross ticket sales.

**NAMING RIGHTS:** Huntington Bancshares, Inc. purchased the naming rights to the arena in 2010. The agreement runs until 2017 and is worth $2.1 million. There are also three 6-year renewal options.

### Team: Trenton Titans (formerly Trenton Devils)

**Affiliate(s):** N/A  
**Principal Owner:** Delaware Valley Sports Group, LLC; consisting of Jim O’Connor, Jim Cook, Tim Curran, and Richard Lisk  
**Team Website**

**Arena:** Sun National Bank Center
Date Built: 1999
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $53
Facility Financing: $31.1 million in bonds issued by Mercer County paid for the arena; the remainder came from the city and the state.
Facility Website

UPDATE: In 2014, the Trenton Titans filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy. Reports have the team's ownership owing close to $500,000 to creditors.

NAMING RIGHTS: The Devils and Sun National Bank agreed to a naming rights deal in November 2009, but details of the agreement were not disclosed.

Team: Utah Grizzlies

Affiliate(s): Anaheim Ducks (NHL); Norfolk Admirals (AHL)
Principal Owner: David Elmore and Donna Tuttle
Team Website

Arena: Maverik Center
Date Built: 1996–97
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $58
Facility Financing: $7 million from the Salt Lake City Olympic Committee and $46 million from the City of West Valley secured with bonds.
Facility Website

UPDATE: In August 2013, the Utah Grizzlies announced an affiliation agreement with the NHL’s Anaheim Ducks and the AHL’s Norfolk Admirals for the 2013–2014 season.

NAMING RIGHTS: Grocery chain Maverik agreed to a naming rights deal with the Grizzlies in 2010. Details of the agreement were not released.

Team: Wheeling Nailers

Affiliate(s): Pittsburgh Penguins and Montreal Canadiens (NHL); Hamilton Bulldogs and Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins (AHL)
Principal Owner: The Hockey Club of the Ohio Valley
Team Website

Arena: WesBanco Arena
Date Built: 1977
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $7 ($3.2 for a renovation in 2005)
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website
UPDATE: In July 2013, the Wheeling Nailers announced the renewal of their affiliation agreement with the NHL’s Pittsburgh Penguins and the AHL’s Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins for the 2013–2014 season, along with the renewal of their affiliation agreement with the NHL’s Montreal Canadiens and the AHL’s Hamilton Bulldogs.

NAMING RIGHTS: WesBanco is paying $2.3 million over ten years for a naming rights deal that expires in 2014. In 2013 WesBanco Inc. renewed its naming rights agreement with the Arena for an additional ten years and $2.5 million dollars.
League Update: The Bloomington Thunder and Peoria Rivermen joined the SPHL in 2013 after leaving the CHL and AHL, respectively.

Team: Augusta RiverHawks

Affiliate: N/A
Principal Owner: Bob and Diane Kerzner
Team Website

Arena: James Brown Arena
Date Built: 1974 (exhibition hall) and 1980 (arena)
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $11
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: By May 2013, team owner Bob Kerzner, the City of Augusta, and the arena operator could not reach an agreement on repairing or replacing the arena’s ice system in time for the 2013–2014 season; therefore, team operations were suspended. In 2014, the James Brown Arena was sold and any hopes of reopening the ice rink were put to an end.

NAMING RIGHTS: The Augusta-Richmond County Civic Center was renamed the James Brown Arena in August 2006 in honor of the musician and singer.

Team: Columbus Cottonmouths

Affiliate: N/A
Principal Owner: Jacob and Wanda Amos
Team Website

Arena: Columbus Civic Center
Date Built: 1996
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $45
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: There is no naming rights agreement in place for the Columbus Civic Center.
Team: Fayetteville FireAntz

Affiliate: N/A
Principal Owner: Kevin MacNaught
Team Website

Arena: Cumberland County Crown Coliseum
Date Built: 1997
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $55
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: There is no naming rights agreement in place for the Crown Coliseum.

Team: Huntsville Havoc

Affiliate: N/A
Principal Owner: Huntsville Sports Ventures, LLC
Team Website

Arena: Propst Arena at the Von Braun Center
Date Built: 1975
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $15
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: The facility is currently named in honor of Wernher von Braun, a former German rocket scientist who, after World War II, laid the foundation for the United States space program, putting Huntsville on the map. The arena is now named the Propst Arena, and is located at the Von Braun Center, in honor of the $5 million donation made by Huntsville businessman, Bill Propst and his wife, Eloise Propst.

Team: Knoxville Ice Bears

Affiliate: N/A
Principal Owner: A group of local owners, including John Langley and Mike Murray
Team Website

Arena: The General James White Memorial Civic Auditorium and Coliseum
Date Built: 1961
Facility Cost ($/Mil): N/A
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website
NAMING RIGHTS: The arena is named after James White, the founder of Knoxville. There are no naming rights deals in place.

Team: Louisiana IceGators

Affiliate: N/A  
Principal Owner: E.C. “Chuck” Anselmo, Jr. and E.C. “Chuck” Anselmo, III  
[Team Website](#)  

Arena: Cajundome  
Date Built: 1985  
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $60  
Facility Financing: N/A  
[Facility Website](#)  

NAMING RIGHTS: There are no naming rights deals in place for the Cajundome.

Team: Mississippi RiverKings

Affiliate: N/A  
Principal Owner: The Maddox Foundation  
[Team Website](#)  

Arena: Landers Center  
Date Built: 2000  
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $27.5  
Facility Financing: N/A  
[Facility Website](#)  

NAMING RIGHTS: In December 2011, Landers Auto Group purchased the naming rights to the DeSoto Civic Center for $1 million, and the arena became the Landers Center. The deal will last for ten years, and the Landers Auto Group will pay $100,000 for the first five years; $115,000 in the sixth year; and an additional $10,000 year after that to pay a total of $155,000 in the tenth and final year. Landers Auto Group will pay to change the signage, and will receive its name on all signage and a suite plus twenty-five tickets to all events held at the venue.
Team: Mississippi Surge

Affiliate: N/A  
Principal Owner: Surge Ice, LLC; led by Tim Kerr  
Team Website

Arena: Mississippi Coast Coliseum  
Date Built: 1977; renovations in 2007  
Facility Cost ($/Mil): N/A ($68 for renovations in 2007)  
Facility Financing: N/A  
Facility Website

UPDATE: The Mississippi Surge will celebrate their fifth anniversary during the 2013–2014 season, and unveiled an anniversary logo in August 2013.

In 2014, the Surge suspended operations following a fall in revenues.

NAMING RIGHTS: The arena is named after its location and has no current naming rights sponsor.

Team: Pensacola Ice Flyers

Affiliate: N/A  
Principal Owner: Greg Harris  
Team Website

Arena: Pensacola Bay Center  
Date Built: 1985  
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $20.5  
Facility Financing: N/A  
Facility Website

UPDATE: In 2014 the Pensacola Bay Center signed an exclusive naming rights deal with Rodizio Grill, a Brazilian Steakhouse, to name its box office.

NAMING RIGHTS: In October 2012, SMG, the management company of the center, presented a plan to rebrand the venue with a new name and new logo, which was voted for unanimously. The name was changed to Pensacola Bay Center from Pensacola Civic Center. There are no naming rights agreements in place.
Team: Peoria Rivermen

Affiliate: N/A  
Principal Owner: Illinois Pro Sports, LLC, comprised of David Holt, John Butler, Bart Rogers, and Bruce Sours  
Team Website

Arena: Carver Arena at Peoria Civic Center  
Date Built: 1982  
Facility Cost ($/Mil): $64  
Facility Financing: N/A  
Facility Website

UPDATE: The Peoria Rivermen joined the SPHL from the AHL for the 2013–2014 season.

The Peoria Civic Center Authority renewed its agreement with SMG to continue operating the arena until August 2014.

NAMING RIGHTS: There are no naming rights agreements in place for the arena.
FEDERAL HOCKEY LEAGUE (FHL)

League Update: Since the end of the 2012–2013 season numerous FHL teams have ceased operations, leaving four remaining teams. The Akwesasne Warriors, Brooklyn Aviators, New York Bluefins, Delaware Federals, New Jersey Outlaws, Rome Frenzy, and Vermont Wild are all no longer participating members of the FHL. The FHL will be adding teams in Berlin, NH and Southwestern Pennsylvania. Information about the SWPA Magic is still forthcoming.

Team: Danbury Whalers

Affiliate: Elmira Jackals (ECHL)
Principal Owner: Danbury Whalers, LLC; led by Herm Sorcher
Team Website

Arena: Danbury Ice Arena
Date Built: 1999; expansion in 2004
Facility Cost ($/Mil): N/A
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: The Danbury Whalers were an affiliate of the Elmira Jackals for the 2013-2014 season.

NAMING RIGHTS: The arena is named after the city it is located in, Danbury, Connecticut.

Team: Danville Dashers

Affiliate:
Principal Owner: Barry Soskin
Team Website

Arena: David S. Palmer Arena
Date Built: 1980
Facility Cost ($/Mil): N/A
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

NAMING RIGHTS: The arena is named after the former mayor of Danville, David S. Palmer, as he was instrumental in the plan for the arena.
Team: Dayton Demonz (formerly Dayton Devils)

Affiliate: Fort Wayne Komets (ECHL)
Principal Owner: Barry Soskin
Team Website

Arena: Hara Arena
Date Built: 1964
Facility Cost ($/Mil): N/A
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: The Demonz renewed their affiliation agreement with the Komets for the 2013-2014 season.

NAMING RIGHTS: The site that the arena is located on was originally a family-owned fruit orchard. The arena’s name comes from the first two letters of the founding brothers, Harold and Ralph Wampler: “HA”rold and “RA”lph.

Team: SWPA Magic

Affiliate: 
Principal Owner: 
Team Website

Arena: Ice Garden
Date Built: 
Facility Cost ($/Mil): N/A
Facility Financing: N/A
Facility Website

UPDATE: The SWPA Magic are an expansion franchise currently being formed in Southwestern Pennsylvania.

Team: Watertown Wolves

Affiliate: N/A
Principal Owner: Dr. Michael Wainberg, Top Shelf Hockey LLC
Team Website

Arena: Watertown Municipal Arena at the Alex Duffy Fairgrounds
Date Built: N/A
Facility Cost ($/Mil): N/A
UPDATE: In August of 2014, the Wolves held a naming rights contest for the team. The team changed its name from the 1000 Island Privateers to the Watertown Wolves after more than 1,000 nominations and votes. The team was also sold to a group of local businessmen following the 2013 season.

NAMING RIGHTS: There is currently no naming rights agreement for the arena. It is named for the city it is located in, Watertown, New York.