



Press Release

Shippers Lower Rail Costs with New Yard Management System from RMI *Automated Yard Management System Provides Greater Accuracy and Efficiency at Production Facilities*

Atlanta – November 17, 2008 – RMI, the largest provider of comprehensive solutions for managing rail shipments, announced that it has released a new version of its ShipperConnect Yard Management System (YMS).

The new Yard Management System will help shippers stretch their transportation spend by improving accuracy and efficiency of rail operations at their production facilities. YMS is the only solution available that automates in plant rail switching, communicates seamlessly with rail carriers, and manages railcar charges and cycle times.

“Now shippers can benefit from the industry leading technology that railroads have relied on for over 20 years,” said Paul Pascutti, RMI vice president. “RMI solutions process over 8 million carloads per year so we understand what’s needed to run an efficient and safe rail operation,” continued Pascutti.

When shippers combine YMS with RMI’s Freight Management System, shipping and receiving freight by rail becomes more economical than ever. YMS provides:

- More accurate yard inventory
- Integrated railcar billing information
- EDI switch requests with rail carriers
- EDI bills of lading
- Automated tracking of car movements using AEI, GPS, and other technologies

With YMS shippers can monitor railcar cycle times, capture railcar inspections and report car status, and even automate weight capture with scale interfaces.

“Today’s overworked transportation managers need a solution that automates the administrative effort so they can focus on making decisions,” said Pascutti. “That’s why YMS uses sophisticated processing logic to automatically block and move cars, distribute notifications about railcar status, calculate and monitor demurrage charges, and provide work orders for train crews.”

YMS is a software as a service (SaaS) solution, so it’s easy to implement and there are no up-front license fees. With this hosted solution shippers can relax and enjoy safe and reliable processing of their critical operating data. For more information or a demonstration please visit www.railcarmgmt.com.

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About RMI

RMI is the largest independent provider of accurate, reliable, comprehensive and secure rail information services to the transportation industry. Founded in 1979, RMI is recognized as the most successful Software as a Service (SaaS) provider in the industry with an in-depth knowledge of rail operations and a proven ability to translate complex business processes into valuable management information services. Currently, RMI processes approximately eight million carloads annually for railroads, rail shippers and railcar owners. RMI's services are accessed via the Internet through RailConnect® (www.railconnect.com), a web-based portal to the company's integrated suite of proprietary information services, which are used to manage rail operations, improve customer service and reduce costs. Services include transportation, revenue, equipment, shipper freight and fleet management services and related executive information systems. RMI is an independent, privately owned company based in Atlanta. For more information about RMI, visit www.railcarmgt.com.

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