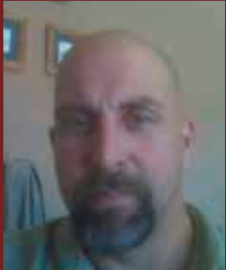


# Watco Transportation Services Announcement



Jim Soulia



Bill Brown

**Date:** September 4, 2009  
**To:** Watco Team  
**From:** John Brown, Chief Operating Officer, West Region  
**Subject:** Jim Soulia, Palouse River & Coulee City Railroad General Manager  
Bill Brown, Great Northwest Railroad General Manager

In a continuing effort to enhance customer service and take advantage of geographic synergies, the West Region announces the following management enhancements:

Jim Soulia, currently the Site Manager at the Watco Transportation Services, Wallula (Boise Cascade) switching operation, has accepted the additional position of General Manager over the Palouse River and Coulee City Railroad within the state of Washington. This will allow for a new level of synergies between the Wallula switching and the railroad locations based in nearby Walla Walla.

Jim's railroad career spans 14 years and he and his wife of 22 years, Monique, have four children; Alex 30, Robert 21, Breanna 19, and Michael 14. Jim's hobbies are football and hockey.

Jim can be contacted at his office at 509-545-5147, by cell phone at 509-845-7686 or by e-mail at [jsoulia@watcocompanies.com](mailto:jsoulia@watcocompanies.com).

Bill Brown will continue in his position as General Manager of the Great Northwest Railroad (GRNW), a position he has held since January of 2008. This change will allow Bill to devote more efforts to developing many opportunities on the GRNW, including improved railcar repair.

In his spare time Bill enjoys spending time with his 8 year-old daughter Dakota and hunting and fishing with his family.

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