

Watco Transportation Services Announcement



Date: November 30, 2010
To: Watco Team
From: Jimmy Horner, Assistant Chief Operating Officer, Central Region
Subject: Bill Richmond, Director of Operations, Central Region

I am pleased to announce that Bill Richmond has accepted the position of Director of Operations, Central Region. Bill will be responsible for supervising daily operations, specifically focusing on improving productivity, efficiency and safety. Bill served as the Assistant General Manager for the South Kansas and Oklahoma Railroad in Cherryvale, Kan., from April of 2009 to February of 2010 when he was promoted to General Manager for the Austin Western Railroad in Austin, Texas.

Bill began his career in railroading in 1994 with the Kansas City Southern Railway (KCS) and worked out of Pittsburg, Kans., New Orleans, La., and Shreveport, La. While with the KCS he served as Conductor, Trainmaster, Engineer, Assistant Trainmaster and Manager of Operating Practices. After 12 years with the KCS he went to work for the Canadian National Railroad where he served as Divisional Trainmaster for three years on the Mobile, Ala., to Jackson, Miss., line.

Bill received a bachelor's degree from the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, Okla., and taught and coached high school in Tulsa, Okla., prior to joining the rail industry.

He and his wife Christie have three children: sons Alec, 16 and Spencer, 12 and daughter Riley, 10. When not working Richmond enjoys playing golf and attending family sporting events.

Bill will be working out of the Coffeyville, Kan., offices and can be reached by cell at 512-497-1378. His e-mail address is wrichmond@watcocompanies.com.

Please join me in wishing him much success as the Central Region's new Director of Operations.