

Watco Transportation Services, Inc. Announcement



Date: December 14, 2010
To: Watco Team
From: Brian Boutwell, Gulf Region Director of Railroad Operations
Subject: Darrell Thompson, Arkansas Southern Railroad, Mississippi Southern Railroad and Vicksburg Southern Railroad General Manager

I am pleased to announce that in addition to the Arkansas Southern Railroad, Darrell Thompson will be serving as General Manager for the Mississippi Southern Railroad (MSR) and the Vicksburg Southern Railroad (VSOR). Darrell has achieved a zero injury record since he joined the Arkansas Southern in 2006 and has set similar goals for his two new railroads.

Darrell started his railroad career with the DeQueen and Eastern Railroad in 1991 and was with them for 11 years. He then went to work for the Kansas City Southern Railway from 2002 until he joined the Watco Team in 2006. He has held the positions of Conductor, Engineer, Assistant Trainmaster, Terminal Trainmaster and Trainmaster.

Darrell has a 19 year-old daughter Dara who is attending Texas A&M University in Texarkana, Texas. Darrell is an avid fisherman and enjoys spending his spare time out on the river, deer hunting and Razorback football.

Darrell will be working out of Nashville, Ark., and can be reached by cell phone at 870-245-6201 or by e-mail at dthompson@watcocompanies.com.

Please join me in congratulating Darrell as he takes on the MSR and VSOR.