

# Watco Transportation Services Announcement



**Date:** October 6, 2010  
**To:** Watco Team  
**From:** Rodney Gordon, Grand Elk Railroad General Manager  
**Subject:** Dee "Shawn" Lautner, Chief Mechanical Officer, Grand Elk Railroad

I'm pleased to announce that Dee "Shawn" Lautner has been promoted to Chief Mechanical Officer of the Grand Elk Railroad. He will be responsible for the locomotive and car repair for the Grand Elk.

Shawn has been with the Grand Elk since May of 2009 and prior to coming to the Grand Elk Shawn spent several years in the mechanical department with CSXT. He worked his way up from a Car Repair Laborer to Locomotive Electrician. Prior to working with the CSXT Shawn was a supervisor for a local machine shop.

Shawn lives in Gowen, Mich., with his wife Deb and two twin granddaughters. In his spare time Shawn enjoys camping, family time and golfing.

Shawn will be working out of Grand Rapids, Mich., and can be reached at 269-832-8081 or by e-mail at [dlautner@watcocompanies.com](mailto:dlautner@watcocompanies.com).

We are very proud of Shawn's accomplishments and we look forward to his greater successes.