

Watco Transportation Services Announcement



Date: December 16, 2011
To: Watco Team
From: Jim Griffiths, Watco WA Rail, Chief Operating Officer
Subject: Darrell Thompson, Watco WA Rail - Operations Zone Manager, Albany Area

I am pleased to announce that Darrell Thompson has accepted a position with us in Western Australia as Operations Zone Manager in the Albany area. Darrell will be responsible for the overall management of his team members, establishing operating plans based on Customer projections and the weekly train schedule provided by the Customer Logistics Manager.

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. He most recently served as General Manager of the Arkansas Southern, Mississippi Southern and Vicksburg Southern railroads.

Darrell has a 20 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.

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Please join me in wishing Darrell success as the Operations Zone Manager Albany to WWAR.