

Watco Transportation Services Announcement



Date: March 18, 2011
To: Watco Team
From: Alex King, Director of Operations, Gulf Region
Subject: John Peek, Timber Rock Railroad, General Manager

I am pleased to announce that John Peek has been named General Manager of the Timber Rock Railroad (TIBR). John will be responsible for the day-to-day operations on the TIBR and will report directly to the Director of Operations. His duties will be to coordinate efforts between all railroad departments and to achieve performance goals with optimum safety, economy, efficiency, and effectiveness along with overseeing Customer relationships. John will be assuming his duties as TIBR General Manager on April 4.

John started his Watco career in November of 2005 with the start up of the Alabama Southern Railroad (ABS) in Tuscaloosa, Ala. He worked as an Engineer/Conductor until 2008 when he was promoted into management as an Assistant Trainmaster then to a Trainmaster on the ABS. On Aug. 7, 2009, Watco began operations of the Alabama Warrior Railway in Birmingham, Ala., where he worked as Trainmaster until October 2009 when he was promoted to Assistant General Manager. In October of 2010 John was named General Manager of the ABWR.

John worked for the CSX railroad from 1995 until 1998 when he left to manage a construction company in New Orleans, La., after hurricane Katrina. He received a bachelors degree from Athens State University.

John and his wife Nikki have two children; Tyler, 6 and Madison, 8 months. In John's spare time he enjoys the golf, fishing and spending time with his family.

John will be working out of the Silbee, Texas, office and can be reached at 409-385-6611 or by e-mail at jpeek@watcocompanies.com.

Please join in me in congratulating John on his new position as Timber Rock Railroad's General Manager.