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Press Release

Locomotive Refueling Company Joins Alternative Fuels Study

Dallas/Fort Worth, TX, October 10, 2007 -- Locomotive Service, Inc. (LSI) recently announced its participation in a Burlington Northern Santa Fe railway pilot study testing a 5 percent biodiesel solution in some BNSF locomotives. LSI, a direct-to-locomotive refueling company, will fuel low-emission GenSet locomotives at three rail yards near Ft. Worth, Texas, with conventional petroleum diesel fuel blended with 5 percent biodiesel.

Biodiesel is a domestic fuel for diesel engines derived from renewable fats and oils, such as vegetable oils. Diesel fuels blended with biodiesel significantly reduce carbon monoxide and particulate matter emissions. Smithfield BioEnergy, a division of Smithfield Foods, is manufacturing the biodiesel.

“We applaud BNSF’s decision to introduce biodiesel into the GenSet locomotives and we’re proud to be part of this effort,” said Ryan Gilmer, President of LSI, headquartered in Burleson, Texas. Gilmer added, “Protecting the environment is a priority for us, which is why LSI has such as robust training program to prevent spills during the refueling process. Becoming part of this pilot study is in keeping with our corporate values.”

LSI, which has provided refueling services for BNSF since 1997, will assist the railway company by keeping fueling records on the program. If the pilot study is successful, BNSF hopes to increase the biodiesel amount to 10 percent in the future.

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