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BDS to Develop Truck Tendering and BOL Functions for 2005

The Woodlands, Texas - February 1, 2005 – Bourque Data Systems, Inc. (BDS) today announced that it would add truck functionality to its software suite to provide its clients a unified tool for multimode load-scheduling and the shipping process. The company will roll out specific motor carrier functions with an eye toward completion of all functionality by the end of 2005. The first capabilities will address truck bills of lading adding to the existing rail BOL capabilities of its eBILL® Bill of Lading software. Later, automated truckload tendering functions will be added to the rail load-scheduling functions in the YardMaster® In-Plant Loading and Shipping software.

“BDS is primarily known for its orientation to rail, although we have long addressed freight rate and payment for all modes,” said Steve Bourque, president of Bourque Data Systems, Inc. Last year, we deployed our first client on Mariner™, our marine management software. Now we will turn our attention to customer requested functions in the truckload arena. Once these multi-mode functions are in place, our clients will have a complete, unified set of tools that address the entire supply chain.”

About Bourque Data Systems, Inc.

Headquartered in the Houston suburb of The Woodlands, BDS is a software and logistics provider offering comprehensive solutions to shippers' transportation needs since 1989. We serve industrial shippers in the refining, chemical, mineral and agricultural industries. With over 120,000 railcars managed by RAILTRAC®, BDS provides strategic rail fleet management tools for leading industrial shippers. Its offerings are:

Software Systems

Our software is affordable, innovative and continually tailored to meet our customers' transportation needs. Our modules, hosted on redundant data networks, provide integrated functions for loading/shipping, shipment tracking, freight payment, fleet accounting and supply chain management.

EDI and Data Services

Our data services streamline transaction processing and interfaces with our customer's ERP systems. Data sets include CLMs, BOLs, carrier instructions, equipment repair and lease invoices, freight bills, and load tender transactions. Our systems integrate with industry standard systems such as SAP, JDE or other custom in-house order processing and accounting systems.

Logistics Services

Our logistics services offer critical support in the areas of shipment monitoring, fleet management and freight payment. Our experienced staff can provide support for the nitty-gritty shipment execution tasks and carrier coordination while you concentrate on your transportation strategy.

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