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BDS Expands Logistics and Shipment Management Support Services With New Office

The Woodlands, Texas - March 1, 2005 – Bourque Data Systems, Inc. (BDS) today announced that it has expanded logistics support services operations offered to its industrial clients. With the opening of a new office, BDS' logistics staff will have a dedicated workspace and state-of-the-art telecommunications system in order to efficiently expedite our clients' rail shipments.

Using RAILTRAC® as its backbone, BDS' logistics staff provides key services to shippers by immediate identification of jeopardized shipments and intervention with the rail carriers. This valuable service allows our clients to outsource the time-consuming but vitally important task of monitoring their loaded and empty rail shipments in order to assure continuous flow of their rail fleet.

"Because BDS' logistics staff is in constant contact with the railroads and are familiar with daily rail traffic conditions, they can provide a high level of insight and service," said Steve Bourque, president of Bourque Data Systems, Inc. "BDS will continue to expand its logistics offerings in order to provide its clients a complete menu of transportation services."

Other logistics and administrative services provided are:

- Keeping CSRs and logistics departments continuously informed with accurate and timely shipment information.
- Recording issue logs for shipments for carrier compliance.
- Monitoring and advising of excessive hold time at customers and terminals.
- Maintaining RAILTRAC® data for accurate, real-time reporting.
- Monthly review of traffic conditions.
- Executing and ensuring proper processing of:
 - Re-bills
 - Loaded and empty diversions
 - Truck trans-loading
 - Railcar shopping
 - Lease car receipt and return
 - BOL exceptions

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.

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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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