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RailPlan International to Provide Positive Train Control Modifications for Southern California’s Metrolink Trains

Los Angeles, California, March 16, 2015 – RailPlan International secured a technical services contract with the Southern California Regional Rail Authority, and Metrolink’s team developing Positive Train Control (PTC) to provide modifications to the PTC powering system in its fleet of Hyundai Rotem Cab Cars.

“Working with Metrolink and other long-distance and commuter railroads on innovative PTC systems is another way for RailPlan’s diverse and experienced teams to contribute to the overall safety of our nation’s rail system,” said Terry B. Soesbee, President.

In order to ensure consistent behavior of the PTC powering system, RPI will provide modifications to 57 of the 59 Hyundai Rotem Cab Cars in Metrolink’s fleet. Those modifications aim to prevent incomplete software uploads by providing sufficient battery life. Two Metrolink cars already have the modification being used in SCRRRA PTC testing.

Because complex onboard software systems are a main component of the PTC system, providing an optimal power source for sufficient download time is vital. With the challenges of managing differing powering systems from divergent fleets, maintaining consistent communications between equipment and Back Office Servers (BOS) must be optimum.

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RailPlan's wiring modification to the SCRRRA Rotem Cab Cars will bring Metrolink's battery wiring systems into compliance with applicable laws, regulations, standards and recommended practices of the USDOT, FRA, FTA, SCAQMD, APTA, AAR and the State of California.

About RailPlan International

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RPI services include:

- Consulting services ranging from procurement support, inspection and testing to complete new rail vehicle design and overhaul including technical publications
- Engineering and industrial design experts providing innovative product engineering and end-use system integration
- Manufacturing expertise including building innovative locally-produced modular systems such as ADA toilets, bedrooms and Bike Cars. Complete railcar interiors including cabs, galleys, dining cars and snack bars.
- Custom specialty products including gangway diaphragms, emergency bridge plates and more
- Mechanical expertise encompassing car and locomotive maintenance, management of rolling stock, training and certification, procurement, warehouse and facilities management and testing and inspection ensuring full Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) compliance

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