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Project success once again in Spain:

The Madrid-Valencia high-speed line to be equipped with RHEDA 2000®.

Neumarkt, Germany, 14 October 2008 – As part of a contract from the Spanish railway authority ADIF, RAIL.ONE Group will deliver approximately 120,000 concrete sleepers for construction of the high-speed line between Madrid and Valencia. Along the total line length of around 430 km, RAIL.ONE will equip 14 tunnels with the RHEDA 2000® ballastless track system. The company will additionally deliver special concrete sleepers required for the transition zones between ballasted and ballastless track sections. RAIL.ONE will deliver the first concrete sleepers to the construction site already in October of this year. The Madrid-Valencia line, scheduled for completion in late 2010, will reduce the travel time between the two cities from 3.5 to 2 hours. Production of the bi-block sleepers for the RHEDA 2000® system will take place in the Spanish plant in Toro, around 200 km north of Madrid. In addition, a large share of the mono-block sleepers for the transition zones will come from the plant in Constantí. Since 1994, this plant has been operated together with the Spanish construction company COMSA.

For RAIL.ONE Group, the Iberian peninsula is an essential market with attractive growth potential. According to the plans of the Spanish government, the infrastructure of the country will undergo thorough modernization – with the railway sector playing a major role in the investment offensive. By 2020, a total of 120 billion euros is scheduled for investment in expansion of railway transport in the country. With yet another contract for delivery of the track system for the Madrid-Valencia line, RAIL.ONE can further expand its market position. Over 100,000 RHEDA 2000® sleepers have already been delivered for new construction

of the Guadarrama Tunnel on the mainline between Madrid and Valladolid. In addition, the company has likewise equipped more than 15 km of line with its patented track system, as part of the Eje Atlantico projects.

Profile of RAIL.ONE GmbH:

RAIL.ONE GmbH conducts business with the goal of providing comprehensively oriented systems and engineering for the entire field of railway tracks and their many and varied requirements. With its patented RHEDA 2000® ballastless track system, the company has achieved an internationally leading position in the field of high-speed rail transportation. In addition, RAIL.ONE manufactures main-track and turnout sleepers made of concrete. In these areas, RAIL.ONE GmbH – as one-stop supplier and in close collaboration with its customers and partners – performs all activities involved in product development, manufacture, and application of concrete sleepers: beginning with engineering; including production, supply, and logistics; and extending to quality management.

With its plants in Germany, China, Hungary, Romania, South Korea, Spain, and Turkey, RAIL.ONE annually produces more than 2.5 million main-track sleepers, as well as over 600,000 linear metres of turnout sleepers. In 2007, the company achieved annual sales of approximately €160 million.

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