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Management change at RAIL.ONE:

Ralf Sobottka is new CFO at RAIL.ONE.

Neumarkt, Germany, 14 April 2008 – Ralf Sobottka (48) has become the new Chief Financial Officer at RAIL.ONE Group. Before his move to the internationally successful manufacturer of concrete sleepers and railtrack systems, Sobottka was employed at the DyStar Group, where he took over as CFO in 2005. Earlier, he held management positions in finance at the Henkel and Cognis Group. Tilo Brandis, CEO at RAIL.One said, “We are pleased to have been able to bring Ralf Sobottka on board: a man with extensive experience and competence in all matters of finance and the capital market.”

In this context, Gerhard Binner, until now CFO at RAIL.ONE, is now leaving the company at his own request for personal reasons, after having introduced his successor to the position. Richard Ziegler, Executive Vice President and COO at RAIL.ONE, emphasized, “Over the past eight years, Mr. Binner has extremely successfully contributed to the company, which he has supported on its course of international growth. We would like to take this opportunity to express to him our appreciation for his long years of highly faithful service to the company.”

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 also 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 – in close collaboration with its customers and partners – performs as one-stop supplier 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, Romania, Spain, South Korea, Turkey, and Hungary, RAIL.ONE annually produces more than 2.5 million main-track sleepers, as well as over 600,000 liner metres of turnout sleepers. In 2007, the company achieved annual sales of approximately €160 million.

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