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BOOTH BOOSTS NEDRAILWAYS BOARD

NedRailways has strengthened its UK team by announcing today the appointment of Dominic Booth to its Board.

Currently Deputy Chief Executive of the Trains Division of National Express, Dominic will take up the newly created role of Managing Director for NedRailways UK Ltd from 1 February 2007.

Commenting on the appointment, **Anton Valk**, Chief Executive of NedRailways said:

"Dominic is an enormously well respected figure in the UK industry and we are delighted that he has agreed to join the team at NedRailways. His arrival next February will mark a significant step forward in the development of NedRailways in the UK.

"In his role Dominic will work very closely with our UK rail businesses, supporting the management teams and helping to drive forward our commitment to delivering the very best in skills and service to our customers."

Commenting on his decision to take the new position at NedRailways, **Dominic Booth** said:

"I'm thrilled to be joining NedRailways at this exciting period for the company. In particular I'm looking forward to building on the excellent track record that has already been achieved in the UK and supporting the continuous improvement of the Northern Rail and Merseyrail operations.

"I'm also excited at the potential for building on this record for the delivery and development of new business opportunities."

In his role as Managing Director Dominic will take a position on the Boards of Merseyrail and Northern Rail, the two companies which NedRailways operates in partnership with Serco. He will also play an important role in the mobilisation and development of new business opportunities.

Today's announcement comes shortly after the appointment of David Quarmby as an adviser to the Board of NedRailways and underlines the company's commitment to developing its business in the UK.

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Enclosure(s) - Picture Dominic Booth

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NedRailways is a wholly owned subsidiary of the main train operator in the Netherlands, NS, and is currently involved in the operation of rail services in the UK through Merseyrail and Northern Rail. As a subsidiary of NS, NedRailways is able to draw on decades of experience and expertise from a company which operates reliable, punctual and innovative services in one of the highest density networks on the continent. This experience is shared with Merseyrail and Northern Rail through a highly structured programme which facilitates the exchange and implementation of best practice between the UK and the Netherlands.

Through the delivery of safe and reliable rail services and a commitment to the full passenger journey, NedRailways' aims to improve the quality of life for those living, working or visiting urban areas by reducing traffic congestion, cutting vehicle emissions and encouraging greater use of integrated transport options. Nedrailways is a member of the Good Going Campaign.

Dominic Booth has had a fast-track career within the UK rail industry. Involved in the restructuring of some of the early BR Shadow Franchises, to facilitate subsequent privatisation, Dominic was recruited by Connex Transport to head up the operations team in Connex South East and Connex South Central. He was subsequently head hunted by Prism Rail plc as Managing Director of their Wales & West franchise which was later acquired by NEG.

At NEG Dominic was promoted to Managing Director of West Anglia Great Northern (Wagn) and then Managing Director of London Lines in which he ran all three London commuter TOCs within the NEG portfolio (c2c, Silverlink and Wagn). Most recently he was promoted to Divisional Director (South) which added Silverlink and One to his area of responsibility. He is currently Deputy Chief Executive of the NEG trains division, and will join NedRailways on 1st February 2007.