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**Reading & Northern Railroad Promotes Three to Vice President Positions**

**Port Clinton, PA – June 22, 2016** – Reading and Northern Railroad announces the promotion of three veteran employees to Vice President level positions at the company.

Erik Yoder has been named Vice President of Maintenance of Way. He replaces Justin Levan who has been promoted to Vice President Special Projects. Lieutenant Matthew Johnson has been promoted to Vice President Asset Management and Community Affairs.

In announcing these appointments Andy Muller, Jr, CEO said, “These promotions reflect the ever changing nature of our business. The fact is our railroad is growing fast. Business is up and in 2016 we have acquired the Humboldt Industrial Park and the Locust Valley Line. As we adapt to our new business and increased infrastructure we recognized that we needed to better align our resources. Since Reading & Northern always likes to look within to find capable people for our management positions, we were delighted to recognize that Erik, Justin and Matt were already in place and ready to do the jobs.”

Yoder started at the Railroad in September 2011 as a MOW Administrator. He was promoted to AVP-MOW in August 2013, transferred to AVP-Operations in October of 2014 to learn more about the railroad and then returned to AVP-MOW in May of 2015.

Prior to working at RBMN, Yoder was a 6<sup>th</sup> grade school teacher for 6 years, and a foreman for an excavation contractor for four years prior to that.

Yoder lives in Mohrsville, PA with his wife Deborah, and children; Aubree, Mindy, Wesley and Gabriel. In his spare time, he enjoys riding his bike to and from work, gardening and enjoying the great outdoors.

Johnson started at the Railroad in January 2005 as Police Consultant, was transferred to Police Officer in May 2005, promoted to Sergeant in February 2009 promoted to AVP-Asset Management/Lieutenant in February 2013, and promoted to Senior AVP of Asset Management/Lieutenant in February of 2016.

Prior to working at RBMN, Johnson was a Deputy Sheriff for a year and a half, and was a Police Officer for a little over a year prior to that.

Johnson lives in Kutztown, PA with his wife of 17 years, Deanna, and children; Adyson and Elliot. In his spare time, he enjoys golfing, working out, watching his kids grow in school/sports/theatre, and spending time with his family.

Levan started at the Railroad in January of 2004 as an Equipment Operator within our MOW department. He was promoted to AVP – Cost Control; MOW in September of 2012, and then he was promoted to VP of MOW in December of 2013.

Prior to working at RBMN, Levan was an Equipment operator for Wexcon Inc. for 3.5 years.

Levan lives in Kutztown, PA with his wife Christina, and children; Colton, Reese, and Sierra. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time with his family, riding ATVs with his son, Colton, and riding horses with his daughters, Sierra and Reese.

Reading & Northern Railroad, with its corporate headquarters in Port Clinton, is a privately held railroad company serving over 60 customers in nine eastern Pennsylvania counties (Berks, Bradford, Carbon, Columbia, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Northumberland, Schuylkill and Wyoming). It has expanded its operations over the last 20+ years and has grown into one of the premier railroads in Pennsylvania. Reading and Northern operates both freight services and steam and diesel powered excursion passenger services through its Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway, owns over 1,000 freight cars, and employs over 200 dedicated employees.