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## Muller-Levan named EVP Strategic Planning at Reading Northern RR

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March 20, 2023 - Port Clinton, PA - Reading & Northern announces the appointment of Christina (Tina) Muller-Levan as Executive Vice President- Strategic Planning effective immediately. She will report to company founder and owner, CEO Andy Muller, Jr.

Muller-Levan has been involved in various businesses during her career. Most recently she was President of the Muller family's aviation business, Reading Jet Center. During her tenure at RJC she led the company to profitability and is currently working on a plan to rationalize the assets.

At the same time as she was managing RJC, Muller-Levan was an active member of the R&N management team. For the last few years, she has overseen the Human Resource, Facilities and Information Technology efforts of the company. Under her leadership the railroad was able to navigate the effects of the pandemic while maintaining and growing its workforce. She has been instrumental in increasing compensation for hourly and salaried employees as well as improving working conditions by offering more holidays and better benefits. On the IT side, ML has led the effort to establish an affiliated company that provides software products to other railroads. Muller-Levan spearheaded the acquisition and implementation of Innovative Operations Technology (IOT), which provides customized software development specializing in dispatch control systems and passenger excursion ticketing systems. IOT is now working to expand the products and services into different markets.

In her new position, Muller-Levan will take the lead on developing a five-year plan to ensure R&N is well-positioned for the future. With 2022 being the company's most successful year in its history, 15% growth in freight carloads and passing the 250,000 rider mark for its passenger excursion business, Muller-Levan's goal is to build on the company's strong foundation. R&N is anticipating 2023 will smash both the freight and passenger records and part of Muller-Levan's job is to make sure the railroad has all the resources, including human resources, to enable R&N to handle all of the additional business with its standard high customer service requirements. In her new position, Muller-Levan, will add R&N's active real estate program to her portfolio.

"I am honored to be offered this critical position at Reading & Northern at this amazing time of growth and expansion. Forty years ago my father began the family's involvement in railroading by operating a few Commonwealth-owned rail lines. Reading & Northern now owns over 400 miles of track and we have two award-winning and thriving franchises, our freight business and our passenger excursion business. Over the months to come I will be reaching out to our



customers, our connections, our community leaders and our employees to explore how we can continue to grow our businesses", said Muller-Levan.

Muller-Levan is a native of the Kutztown area and attended Elizabethtown College graduating with a BS in Business Administration. She lives on a country farm near Virginville with her husband Justin and children Colton, Sierra & Reese Levan.

Reading & Northern Railroad, with its corporate headquarters in Port Clinton, is a privately held railroad company serving over 70 customers in nine eastern Pennsylvania counties (Berks, Bradford, Carbon, Columbia, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Northumberland, Schuylkill, and Wyoming). It has expanded its operations over the last 40 years and now handles over 34,000 carloads of freight and 250,000 excursion train riders over 400 miles of track. Reading & Northern operates both freight services and steam and diesel-powered excursion passenger services, owns over 1,700 freight cars, and employs nearly 300 dedicated employees. Reading & Northern has repeatedly been honored as one of the premier railroads in the nation including being named Regional Railroad of the year in 2020 by Railway Age Magazine.