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Iowa Interstate Announces GE Locomotive Purchase

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA – Dennis H. Miller, President and CEO of the Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd. (IAIS), announced the purchase of an additional 2 new General Electric Evolution Series locomotives. The locomotives have an output of 4,400 horsepower, capability of being distributed within the train, and radial trucks.

“Last year we purchased 12 of these units and saw an immediate payback in terms of fuel savings, reduced maintenance costs, and efficiency gains. These 2 additional units were in various stages of manufacture when the economic downturn caused GE to postpone completion of the units. The new GE ES44AC locomotives are over 18% more fuel efficient than our older units. These locomotives are also environmentally friendly and comply with all of the latest EPA requirements helping us to become a “greener railroad”. The locomotives will be manufactured at GE’s Erie, Pennsylvania plant and we expect them to be delivered by December 1 of this year,” Miller stated.

Founded in 1984, IAIS is a regional rail carrier operating over 600 miles between Omaha, Nebraska, and Chicago, Illinois, with connections to all major Class 1 carriers. Its headquarters are located in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

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