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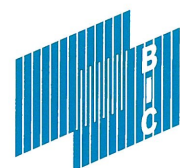
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US Railroads

AAR has just released very encouraging traffic figures.

In February U.S. carloads climbed for 12th-straight month, intermodal volume rose 15th-straight time

- U.S. railroads originated 1.13 million carloads, up 4.2 percent compared with February 2010 despite heavy snow falls,
- Intermodal volume climbed 10.3 percent to 881,830 containers and trailers, marking the 15th-straight monthly gain.

Note: As of March 1, 306,316 freight cars – or 20.2 percent of the industry's fleet – remained in storage, showing a decrease of 12,457 cars during the month of February.

RailRunner goes to Europe

RailRunner N.A. Inc. which promotes a bi-modal design, claims to have renewed its European product certification efforts as a result of the European Railway Agency's recent modifications to its Technical Standards of Interoperability (TSI). The TSI now includes expanded technical requirements that allow bimodal technology to be standardized and homologated throughout Europe. RailRunner officials believe the company is positioned to pursue anticipated certification of its equipment according to European market and standards requirements.



Rail Forum Europe

Members of the European Parliament have founded on 9 March 2011 the European Rail Forum as a place for discussion on transport and traffic policy. The founding cat was celebrated in Strasbourg. Mr. Brian Simpson, MEP, has been elected as first Chairman of the Forum.



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