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ASLRRA Unveils PTC CI-BOS Agreement for Short Lines, Provided by Herzog

*Herzog Technology, Inc.’s Hosted CI-BOS is Delivers Short Line PTC Compliance at an Affordable Price*

**WASHINGTON, September 11, 2019** – The American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association (ASLRRA) announced today the availability of a complete back-office Positive Train Control (PTC) hosted solution designed with short lines in mind, provided by Herzog Technologies, Inc. (Herzog). Herzog’s PTC solution allows railroads to offload complicated PTC technical responsibilities in order to focus on daily operations. State-of-the-art data centers, 24/7/365 support, and 99.99% availability combined with centralized hardware and personnel make the Herzog PTC Hosting secure, reliable, and efficient.

“We are pleased to be able to offer a leading solution for short lines who must equip with PTC per regulation, or as required by their Class I partners. Via our agreement with Herzog, we offer a PTC solution from an industry leader at a price that is reasonable for our small business railroad members,” said Chuck Baker, President of ASLRRA.

Herzog’s offering joins a select group of ASLRRA-curated PTC vendors providing specific services for Class II and III railroads, made possible through a $2.5 million grant awarded by Federal Railroad Administration* to assist short lines in meeting PTC deadlines.
“We understand the complexities and the hurdles of PTC implementation, particularly for the small business environment of short line railroading,” said Travis Rollings, Director of Office Systems at Herzog. “A railroad that chooses a Herzog solution gains a long-term partner with years of experience in the rail industry, with centralized hardware and personnel working at the highest efficiency. We can provide the PTC infrastructure, reliability and support so that railroads can concentrate on running their business.”

Herzog’s hosted solution includes a hosted infrastructure at its core, utilizing the required production and test environments, and includes Interoperable Train Control Messaging (ITCM), Crew Initialization and PTC consist management software allowing railroads to initialize locomotives and edit crew and consist data, as well as configuration management reports.

To further reduce the cost and complexity of negotiations for a CI-BOS solution, ASLRRA and Herzog have created a template contract for use by short lines.

PTC is a system designed to prevent train-to-train collisions, derailments caused by excessive speeds, unauthorized train movements in work zones, and the movement of trains through switches left in the wrong position.

For more information on PTC Services provided through ASLRRA click here.

* Congress appropriated $25 million in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016, Division L, Title I (Public Law 114-113 [December 18, 2015]), to carry out railroad safety technology grants as set forth in 49 U.S.C. 20158. The Federal Railroad Administration oversees the FY2016 Railroad Safety Technology Grant Funds and awarded ASLRRA $2.5 million.

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About Herzog ([www.HTItechnologies.com](http://www.HTItechnologies.com)) – HTI is a privately held rail services company. From traditional Wayside Signaling and Communications systems to PTC Systems Integration, we understand rail-based systems and their importance to the industry. Our understanding of rail enables us to create custom, comprehensive solutions to fit every need. From planning to operations, basic engineering to complex turnkey system integration, HTI delivers. PTC Back Office Software solutions, HTI PTC Hosting, and GIS solutions are just a few of the leading-edge services HTI offers. Our services allow customers to focus on running their railroad, not maintaining systems.

About ASLRRA - The American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association (ASLRRA) is a non-profit trade association representing the interests of the nation’s 603 short line and regional railroads and railroad supply company members in legislative and regulatory matters. Short lines operate 47,500 miles of track in 49 states, or approximately 29% of the national railroad network, touching in origination or termination one out of every five cars moving on the national railroad system, serving customers who otherwise would be cut off from the national railroad network. www.aslrra.org