

Burlington Northern Santa Fe Donates \$75,000 to the Montana Meth Project

Largest North American Rail Network Operator Invests in the Project to Fight First-Time Meth Use

MISSOULA, Montana—August 12, 2008—The Montana Meth Project announced today that Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) contributed \$25,000 to the Project. This donation is part of a three-year, \$75,000 commitment through 2009, and will be used to support the Montana Meth Project’s innovative public education campaign to reduce first-time Meth use in the state.

To raise additional funding and awareness for the Project, BNSF has also contributed a gourmet dinner and scenic train excursion on its Private Executive Dining Car on Tuesday, August 12, 2008. The train will travel on the Old Great Northern Route through southern Glacier National Park. The railway event will be used to raise funds for the Montana Meth Project.

“We thank Burlington Northern Santa Fe for their generosity and dedication to addressing Montana’s methamphetamine problem,” said Mike Gullede, Chairman of the Montana Meth Project. “BNSF’s long-term support will make it possible for the Montana Meth Project to continue its fight against this dangerous drug.”

Montana Meth Project Chairman Mike Gullede will host the benefit event and highlight the Project’s research-based approach and discuss the Project’s progress in Montana ahead of its three-year anniversary next month.

“BNSF recognizes and appreciates the positive impact that the Montana Meth Project has had on our communities,” said Gus Melonas, BNSF Railway Regional Director of Public Affairs. “We are pleased to participate as a partner in this important program for Montana.”

The Montana Meth Project is a public-private partnership. Persons or organizations wishing to make a donation to the Montana Meth Project can find more information at www.montanameth.org.

About BNSF

A subsidiary of Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation (NYSE:BNI), BNSF Railway Company operates one of the largest North American rail networks, with about 32,000 route miles in 28 states and two Canadian provinces. BNSF is among the world's top transporters of intermodal traffic, moves more grain than any other American railroad, carries the components of many of the products we depend on daily, and hauls enough low-sulfur coal to generate about ten percent of the electricity produced in the United States. BNSF is an industry leader in Web-enabling a variety of customer transactions at www.bnsf.com.

About the Montana Meth Project

Launched in September 2005, the Montana Meth Project, a not-for-profit organization headquartered in Missoula, Montana, implements a range of advertising and community action programs to reduce methamphetamine use in the state. Combining extensive research with a hard-hitting, integrated media campaign, it has been repeatedly cited as an effective response to a devastating social problem. For more information about the Montana Meth Project, visit www.montanameth.org.

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