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**Lodging Enterprises, LLC Celebrates Opening of Oak Tree Inn in McAlester, Okla.
*Hotel Will Serve the Needs of Union Pacific Railroad Crews***

WICHITA, Kan., January 12, 2011 – A brand new Oak Tree Inn will open adjacent to Lowe's at 2200 E. South Avenue in McAlester, Oklahoma on Tuesday, January 18, 2011. Community leaders will be present for the opening ceremonies scheduled for 10 a.m. that day. The 61-room hotel will primarily serve the needs of Union Pacific Railroad crews. However, rooms not used by the railroad will be made available to the public.

Union Pacific Corporation is one of America's leading transportation companies. Its principal operating company, Union Pacific Railroad, is North America's premier railroad franchise, covering 23 states across the western two-thirds of the United States. Lodging Enterprises, LLC, a hotel operations and development company based in Wichita, Kan., operates 31 hotels (predominately Oak Tree Inns) in 19 states. It also operates 23 restaurants (mostly Penny's Diners) on or near hotel properties. Lodging Enterprises is the nation's largest provider of custom lodging services to the U.S. rail industry, contracting with the nation's leading railroad companies to provide lodging and 24-hour food service to railroad workers.

The Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008 includes new hours-of-service limits. Among other safety improvements, the new legislation mandates more rest for workers, including a guaranteed minimum 10-hour disruption-free rest period for train crews and signal employees.

Oak Tree Inns are built to provide uninterrupted sleep conditions, designed specifically to address the needs of the railroad industry with its irregular work schedules. Railroads like Union Pacific operate 24 hours a day with no uniform work shifts. With crews at train switching stations requiring food and lodging and mandatory periods of rest at all hours, the hotels are built with features that provide a superior rest environment 24-hour a day. Pat Anderson, manager of Union Pacific crew lodging said, "The quietness and room darkening drapes and the quality of the hotel structures Lodging Enterprises provides is important for crews to get the rest they need."

Rooms at Oak Tree Inns feature custom black-out drapes to block all light, custom insulated, sound-resistant windows to block sound, white background noise on the heating and air units to mask outside noise, special construction of plumbing systems to block plumbing noise, and a wireless remote guest detection system which allows housekeepers to determine whether a room is occupied without knocking or opening a door.

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