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[The following is an E-mail from Gregory T. Swienton, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer to Company employees]

April 6, 2009

To: All Ryder Employees

From: Greg Swienton

Subject: Vote Your Ryder Shares

We recently distributed the proxy materials for our 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders to Ryder shareholders. The proxy materials include a copy of Ryder's 2008 Annual Report, in which we highlight that Ryder is driving forward during these challenging economic conditions with the industry's best people, lean and effective processes and impactful real-world technologies.

This year we have elected to take advantage of the Securities and Exchange Commission's notice and access rule that allows us to furnish proxy materials to shareholders online. In addition, we elected to distribute the proxy materials electronically to our employees who are shareholders and who have a Ryder-issued e-mail address. These actions eliminate unnecessary printing and postage costs and help benefit the environment, while also providing timely, easily accessible information for our shareholders. In the Notice, you will find instructions explaining how to access the proxy materials and vote your shares of Ryder stock. If you received a Notice either by mail or electronically, you will not receive a printed copy of the proxy materials, unless you specifically request one. Instructions on how to receive a paper copy of the proxy materials are included in the Notice.

There are two agenda items for this year's annual meeting: the election of five directors; and the ratification of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as Ryder's independent auditor for the 2009 fiscal year. I, and the other members of Ryder's Board of Directors, recommend a vote in favor of each of these proposals.

I encourage those of you who own Ryder stock to vote your shares. Not only is every vote important, it also serves to demonstrate your continued support and confidence in our Company and its leadership.

Please review these materials carefully and take the time to vote your shares.

Thank you for your continued support.