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Microphor Introduces New Synthetic Filter Material For Waste Treatment Tanks

WILMERDING, Pa., May 27, 2003 – Microphor, a subsidiary of Wabtec Corporation (NYSE: WAB), has developed a new synthetic filter material for its waste treatment tanks used in rail applications, and has introduced products for more efficient toilet and tank maintenance.

The new injection-molded synthetic material has been developed as an alternative to redwood bark, which has been traditionally used in the company's treatment tanks. The new product has undergone two years of testing and is fully approved by the Food and Drug Administration for use on locomotives, passenger cars and in other rail applications. Microphor's synthetic material will outlast the tank body and will not be a determining factor in tank replacement. The synthetic material does not retain chemicals that may be accidentally deposited into the tank, simplifying tank cleaning and maintenance.

In addition, Microphor has introduced MicroCulture, a new product for rail applications that helps prevent tank back-ups caused by excess paper deposits, and MicroScrub, a natural bacterial-based cleanser that eliminates the need to scrub the hopper on Microphor toilets.

Based in Willits, Calif., Microphor (www.microphor.com) is a leading supplier of waste treatment systems and related products for rail, marine, bus, recreational vehicle and commercial plumbing industries worldwide.

Wabtec Corporation (www.wabtec.com) is one of North America's largest providers of value-added, technology-based products and services for the rail industry. Through its subsidiaries, the company manufactures a range of products for locomotives, freight cars and passenger transit vehicles. The company also builds new switcher and commuter locomotives, and provides aftermarket services, including locomotive and freight car fleet maintenance. The company has facilities located throughout the world. Wabtec's mission is to be judged by its stakeholders as the world-class corporation focused on helping its global customers compete more effectively through higher levels of safety, quality and productivity.

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