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NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY TO PURCHASE RAILPOWER'S ROAD SWITCHER LOCOMOTIVES

MONTREAL, Quebec, July 19, 2006 – Railpower Technologies Corp. (TSX: P) ("Railpower"), today announced that Norfolk Southern Railway will purchase two Railpower RP-series multi-engine, low-emission, fuel-efficient, road switcher locomotives for delivery as kits in 2006. The purchase order includes an option for Norfolk Southern to purchase additional units between 2007 and 2009.

Under the terms of the purchase order, Norfolk Southern will complete the conversion of its conventional locomotives with Railpower-supplied kits for the model RP20BD road switcher, which includes all components, drawings, and assembly support. The work will be performed at Thoroughbred Mechanical Services (TMS), a division of Norfolk Southern located in Altoona, Pennsylvania.

"We are very pleased that Norfolk Southern has selected our RP-series locomotive technology and components in support of their initiative to adopt robust, cleaner energy solutions and achieve reduced fuel costs," said José Mathieu, President and CEO of Railpower. "This purchase order further validates the kit program that we have been developing over the past year, and we look forward to working together with Norfolk Southern and TMS on completing the locomotive conversions."

"The order for two locomotives using this new technology is part of Norfolk Southern's effort to reduce locomotive emissions and improve the efficiency of its locomotive fleet used in rail yards and for local train service," said Gerhard Thelen, Norfolk Southern's Vice President Mechanical. "Other technologies, such as battery-powered locomotives and hybrids, also are being evaluated."

Railpower's RP-Series road switchers can provide fuel savings of up to 35 percent and reduce NOx (Nitrogen Oxides) and other particulate emissions by approximately 80 percent. With this order, Railpower's order backlog currently stands at 152 units, of which 105 are RP-series locomotives.

About Railpower

Railpower (TSX: P), (www.railpower.com) is a leader in specialized energy technology systems for the transportation industry. Its origins and initial focus are in the development, construction, marketing and sales of specialized energy technology systems for railroad applications. Our technologies significantly reduce fuel usage, operating and maintenance costs, and emissions. While Railpower's origins are in the transportation industry, its technologies have broad potential and applications in other markets and industries. Railpower is headquartered in Montreal, Quebec. Its U.S. office is located in Erie, Pennsylvania.

About Norfolk Southern

Norfolk Southern Corporation (NYSE: NSC) is one of North America's premier transportation companies. Its Norfolk Southern Railway subsidiary operates approximately 21,200 route miles in 22 states, the District of Columbia and Ontario, Canada, serving every major container port in the eastern United States and providing superior connections to western rail carriers. NS operates the most extensive intermodal network in the East and is North America's largest rail carrier of automotive parts and finished vehicles. For more information, please visit: www.nscorp.com.

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