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# Bourque Logistics Introduces YardMaster® Integration with the Umler® System.

*To automatically provide terminal operators with third-party car characteristics for seamless load and offload.*

**The Woodlands, Texas – November 27, 2015.** Bourque Logistics, the leader in logistics software for industrial shippers, introduces integration with the Umler system within its YardMaster software. This integration provides terminal operators real-time access to essential railcar data. Car details supplied from the Umler system are pivotal to the load and offload process, as well as ensuring a railcar is safe for shipment. With easy access to railcar characteristics, terminal operators will no longer have to rely on third parties to supply railcar information.

The Umler system, developed by Railinc, provides a centralized resource to specific characteristics on all rail equipment in North America. First released in the 1960's, UMLER was an acronym for Universal Machine Language Equipment Register. After a redesign in 2009, Railinc dropped the acronym and rebranded to the Umler system. Utilized by railroads, shippers, suppliers, and maintenance facilities, this system is considered the foremost resource for railcar reference information.

Bourque Logistics' YardMaster software provides industrial shippers with in-plant railcar receiving and shipment management functionality. Feature benefits include railcar request and release, switching, onsite inventory, order assignment, scheduling and rack assignment, railcar inspection, and BOL submission. In addition, YardMaster provides load/offload optimization by performing load bay verification, advanced outage, and volume correction calculations.

Integrating these two systems provides terminal operators with on-demand access to railcar characteristics such as: capacity, car type, allowable weight, load limit, tare weight, car length, shell specifics, and much more. YardMaster will populate pertinent railcar characteristics as railcars enter the facility. This gives terminal operators the ability to immediately perform load/offload calculations. Auto capture of this data reduces terminal downtime by alleviating dependence on third parties to provide railcar essential data. This data, such as tare weight and allowable weight, are critical when calculating liquid volumes. Maximizing loading efficiency and identifying overloaded railcars unfit for shipment is crucial and can save companies thousands of dollars. Additionally, by automating this process, manual data entry is eliminated, reducing the likelihood of errors and maximizing asset utilization.

## **About Bourque Logistics**

Headquartered in The Woodlands, Texas, Bourque Logistics is the leading rail fleet and shipment management software for rail shippers and has automated rail shipment processes for shippers since 1989 with RAILTRAC®.

Bourque Logistics now provides a full suite of modules addressing multi-mode shipment operations for loading and shipping, bill of lading submission, tracking and tracing, freight rating and payment, fleet accounting, supply chain management, and custom reporting. Our EDI data services connects shippers with their suppliers, customers, and carriers. Bourque Logistics also provides professional service support for rail fleet expediting and railcar maintenance management.

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