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## For Immediate Release

# Don't Foul the Track!

## Pexco's Reflective Clearance Markers Make Railroads Safer and Help Comply with Federal Regulations

**Tacoma, WA** - Davidson Traffic Control Products shines a light on railroad safety with the introduction of their new "**Clearance Marker**", a permanent flexible marker designed for visibility and low maintenance. The Clearance Marker is a 12" long reflective marker that tells switching crews how far they can shove a car without "fouling" the adjacent track.



Clearance Marker during Day



Clearance Marker at Night

### Clearance Points & 49 CFR 218.101 (c)

In 2006, the Federal Railroad Administration reported 32 accidents in the United States, resulting in 13 injuries, one death and over \$2 million in damage.

When rolling equipment is left standing on a track in such a manner that movement of cars on an adjacent track would collide with it ("fouling the track") the potential for an accident is great. These "clearance points" are the location near a junction of rail lines beyond which it is unsafe for passage by equipment or a person riding the side of a car on an adjacent



track. Through the proper identification of clearance points, employees can avoid collisions and personal injury to other employees riding the sides of cars.

Federal Regulation 49 CFR 218.101 (c) requires that, "Each railroad shall implement procedures that enable employees to identify clearance points and a means to identify locations where clearance points will not permit a person to safely ride on the side of a car." Pexco's new Clearance Markers are the perfect device to mark these points!

### **Two Options for Installation**

Clearance Markers are quickly installed with nails into wooden railroad ties. For concrete ties, an optional pressure-sensitive butyl pad provides for quick installation.

Key features & benefits of the Clearance Markers are:

- ✓ Meets Federal Regulation 49 CFR part 218.101(c)
- ✓ Durable Thermoplastic Polyether Polyurethane
- ✓ Stands Up to Extreme Temperatures
- ✓ Excellent resistance to chemicals
- ✓ Flexible, presents no trip hazard
- ✓ Superior Nighttime Visibility
- ✓ All-weather, ultraviolet resistant
- ✓ Simple Installation
- ✓ In Stock

### **Durable and Visible**

Clearance Markers are constructed of highly durable thermoplastic polyurethane that provides flexibility and durability. Clearance Markers remain extremely flexible, even at extreme temperatures and rebound to an upright position after being bent over. The large cube-corner prismatic reflective element makes the markers highly visible at night.

Davidson Traffic Control Products is a division of Pexco LLC, a global manufacturer of plastic products with decades of technical & engineering expertise. The Davidson Traffic product line includes Type I, II & III Barricades, Channelizer Posts, Curb System lane separators, Work Zone Pavement Markers, Flexible Delineator Posts, Reflectors for Barrier Walls and Guardrails, Snow Poles and many adhesive products that have gained worldwide acceptance.

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