



## Roadway Express Receives Patent for Sealed Divider(TM) Service

AKRON, Ohio, Jan 12, 2006 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- The United States Patent and Trademark Office has granted a patent for Roadway Sealed Divider Service. Available only from Roadway Express, this innovative service provides complete protection and verifiable security for customers' goods during transit.

"Roadway Sealed Divider Service was developed to address specific customer needs, such as safe transport of fragile products and verifiable security to meet new, stricter government regulations. We are proud to be the only provider to offer a patented solution for shipment protection and security to the marketplace," said Roadway President and CEO Mike Smid. "Roadway Sealed Divider Service is just one example of our efforts to provide personalized solutions, fast responses and flexible service to our customers. We constantly innovate to meet the needs of our customers," added Smid. "It is gratifying to see this particular innovation acknowledged by the granting of a patent."

Roadway Sealed Divider Service features a numbered rod-lock seal system. This seal system verifies a shipment travels undisturbed from pickup to delivery.

At the time of pickup, a shipment moving under Roadway Sealed Divider Service is isolated in the nose of a trailer by a customized barrier constructed behind it. The barrier creates a protected environment for the shipment and prevents mingling with other shipments on the trailer. Two numbered rod lock seals secure the barrier. The seal numbers are recorded on a placard and the freight bill. Once sealed on a Roadway trailer, the shipment is not touched until arrival at its final destination. At delivery, the receiver compares the seal numbers to the numbers on the placard and freight bill. The matching numbers verify the shipment traveled undisturbed.

Roadway Sealed Divider Service is ideal for products that are difficult or expensive to package for shipping, are of high value, or need verifiable security throughout transit. Companies from a wide range of industries -- from pharmaceuticals to furniture to electronics -- benefit from the secure shipping environment Sealed Divider Service provides.

Roadway is the only transportation provider to use a numbered rod-lock seal system to secure a shipment. Sealed Divider Service (U.S. Patent No. 6981828) gives Roadway customers a level of protection unique to the marketplace. Furthermore, a customer pays only for the space the shipment occupies within the trailer. Roadway Sealed Divider Service is a cost-effective solution for customers who need extra protection and verifiable security for their shipment of raw materials or finished goods.

For an on-line demo of Roadway Sealed Divider Service, visit <http://www.roadway.com/sealed>, and click on the see-through trailer image in the middle right of the screen.

### About Roadway Express

Roadway Express, headquartered in Akron, Ohio is a leading transporter of industrial, commercial and retail goods. Roadway Express offers a variety of innovative services to meet customer needs, including Time-Critical™, Time- Advantage™ and Exhibit Transportation Services. Roadway Express provides seamless transportation between all 50 states, Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico. Global logistics solutions for import and export shipping are provided in conjunction with Meridian IQ, a subsidiary of YRC Worldwide Inc. Service within Canada is provided by Reimer Express, a Roadway Express subsidiary. Roadway Express is a subsidiary of YRC Worldwide Inc. (Nasdaq: YRCW), a Fortune 500 company and one of the largest transportation services providers in the world. The enterprise provides global transportation services, transportation management solutions and logistics management. The portfolio of brands represents a comprehensive array of services for the shipment of industrial, commercial and retail goods domestically and internationally. Headquartered in Overland Park, Kansas, YRC Worldwide employs approximately 70,000 people.

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