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**Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway (MMA) Announces
Commemoration of Year One**

Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, Ltd. (MMA) is pleased to announce the commemoration of its 1st year in operation. There will be a celebratory reception of this landmark day at 3:00 p.m. on January 8, 2003 at the offices of Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway, 15 Iron Road, Hermon, Maine. The unveiling of the MMA 1 boxcar painted in the historic red, white and blue paint scheme for "State of Maine Products" will also take place. This will continue a rich history of partnering with the State of Maine to promote the State that began as early as December 1950 when the Bangor & Aroostook's President, Curtis Hutchins, wrote on a photograph of the BAR 2181 boxcar that was sent to Governor Payne:

"Dear Governor – This represents a start on our efforts to assist you to tell the country what we in Maine have to offer. - Curtis M. Hutchins"

MMA's President, Bob Grindrod, stated: "It is a historic day for the MMA. We have successfully waged an uphill battle in 2003 and want everyone to know that the MMA is here to stay! With help of the State and our very dedicated work force, we have weathered the storm and look forward to a brighter future."

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