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Matson Appoints Keoni Wagner Director, Corporate Communications

HONOLULU, Aug. 19, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Matson, Inc. ("Matson") (NYSE: MATX), a leading U.S. carrier in the Pacific, announced today that Keoni Wagner has joined the company as director, corporate communications. He succeeds Jeff Hull, who is retiring from Matson after a 33-year career with the company. Wagner reports to Matt Cox, president and chief executive officer, and is based at Matson's corporate office in Oakland, California.



Wagner most recently served as public information officer and spokesman for Oakland International Airport. Prior to that, he served as vice president of public affairs at Hawaiian Airlines, based in Honolulu. During his more than 20 years at Hawaiian, he led internal and external communications during an historic period of change and growth, including numerous changes in leadership, ownership and two Chapter 11 reorganizations.

Hull spent the first eight years of his Matson career in the company's personnel department, including three years as editor of the employee magazine, IMUA! He has been head of Matson's public relations department since 1990. Hull has been responsible for directing communications for Matson and its subsidiaries, both externally and internally. The scope of his responsibilities encompassed media relations, marketing communications, social media and internal communications. He also oversaw the company's historical archives.

"Keoni's extensive communications background, coupled with his deep knowledge of Hawaii and the transportation industry, make him a valuable new member of Matson's senior management team," said Matt Cox, president and CEO. "Jeff has had a long, distinguished career at Matson, and will be missed. On a personal note, I'd like to thank Jeff for all he's done over the years for Matson and wish him all the best during his well-earned retirement."

About the Company

Founded in 1882, Matson is a leading U.S. carrier in the Pacific. Matson provides a vital lifeline to the economies of Hawaii, Alaska, Guam, Micronesia and select South Pacific islands, and operates a premium, expedited service from China to Southern California. The Company's fleet of 25 vessels includes containerships, combination container and roll-on/roll-off ships and custom-designed barges. Matson Logistics, established in 1987, extends the geographic reach of Matson's transportation network throughout the continental U.S. Its integrated, asset-light logistics services include rail intermodal, highway brokerage and warehousing. Additional information about Matson, Inc. is available at www.matson.com.

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