

LAKE OSWEGO, Ore., Dec. 13, 2010 /[PRNewswire-FirstCall](#)/ -- The Greenbrier Companies (NYSE: GBX) announced today that it has agreed to sell 3,000,000 shares of its common stock in an underwritten at-the-market public offering. The last reported sale price of its common stock on December 13, 2010 was \$22.73 per share. The offering is expected to close on December 17, 2010, subject to customary closing conditions.

Greenbrier expects to use the net proceeds of the offering for general corporate purposes, which may include such purposes as working capital, capital expenditures, repayment or repurchase of a portion of the company's indebtedness or acquisitions of, or investments in, complementary businesses and products.

Goldman, Sachs & Co. is acting as the sole underwriter for the offering.

The offering is being made pursuant to an effective shelf registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The offering of these securities may be made only by means of a prospectus supplement and the related prospectus that will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission prior to closing. You may get these documents from Goldman, Sachs & Co., Prospectus Department, 200 West Street, New York, NY 10282, telephone: 1-866-471-2526, facsimile: 212-902-9316, or by emailing prospectus-ny@ny.email.gs.com, or, alternatively, when they become available, for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC website at www.sec.gov.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

About Greenbrier Companies

Greenbrier, headquartered in Lake Oswego, Oregon, is a leading supplier of transportation equipment and services to the railroad industry. Greenbrier builds new railroad freight cars in its three manufacturing facilities in the U.S. and Mexico and marine barges at its U.S. facility. It also repairs and refurbishes freight cars and provides wheels and railcar parts at 38 locations across North America. Greenbrier builds new railroad freight cars and refurbishes freight cars for the European market through both its operations in Poland and various subcontractor facilities throughout Europe. Greenbrier owns approximately 8,000 railcars, and performs management

services for approximately 225,000 railcars.

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