

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY CO  
Form 6-K  
October 20, 2009

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of October, 2009

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Canadian National Railway Company  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

935 de la Gauchetiere Street West  
Montreal, Quebec  
Canada H3B 2M9

(Address of principal executive offices)

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1. News Release dated October 20, 2009 entitled, "Claude Mongeau appointed a CN director; Board approves fourth-quarter 2009 dividend."
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Item 1

North America's Railroad

NEWS RELEASE

Claude Mongeau appointed a CN director;  
Board approves fourth-quarter 2009 dividend

MONTREAL, Oct. 20, 2009 CN (TSX:CNR)(NYSE:CNI) announced today that its Board of Directors has appointed Claude Mongeau as a director of the Company, effectively immediately.

Mongeau, executive vice-president of CN, will succeed E. Hunter Harrison as CN president and chief executive officer on Jan. 1, 2010.

Mongeau's appointment increases the size of CN's board to 12, of whom 10 are outside directors. Mongeau is also a director of SNC-Lavalin Group Inc.

Separately, CN announced that its Board has approved a fourth-quarter 2009 dividend on the Company's common shares outstanding. A quarterly dividend of 25.25 cents (C\$0.2525) per common share will be paid on Dec. 31, 2009, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 10, 2009.

CN – Canadian National Railway Company and its operating railway subsidiaries – spans Canada and mid-America, from the Atlantic and Pacific oceans to the Gulf of Mexico, serving the ports of Vancouver, Prince Rupert, B.C., Montreal, Halifax, New Orleans, and Mobile, Ala., and the key metropolitan areas of Toronto, Buffalo, Chicago, Detroit, Duluth, Minn./Superior, Wis., Green Bay, Wis., Minneapolis/St. Paul, Memphis, and Jackson, Miss., with connections to all points in North America. For more information on CN, visit the Company's website at [www.cn.ca](http://www.cn.ca).

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Canadian National Railway Company

Date: October 20, 2009

By: /s/ Cristina Circelli  
Name: Cristina Circelli  
Title: Deputy Corporate Secretary and  
General Counsel