



5/15/2020: Rail Excursion Management Company (Railexco) announces their acquisition of three Budd Tubular Passenger Cars from Amtrak. These historically significant railcars will be used in various excursion and car lease capacities. Railexco is the first private owner of these “Amfleet™” cars.

Railexco’s purchase of these cars, two coaches and a cafe, signifies a new era in passenger and excursion railroading. The cars, built between 1974 and 1977 are the first iteration of Amtrak’s “Amfleet,” and the first new cars purchased by the National Railroad Passenger Corporation after its inception in 1971. Built by the Budd Company, these all-stainless steel constructed cars are still used today in daily service by Amtrak.

Now in their fourth decade of use, the history and importance of these cars cannot be overstated, says Railexco CEO Adam Auxier: “These are the cars we grew up riding, but more importantly these cars represent a sea change in American passenger railroading. We’re proud to showcase these cars as examples of the next generation of living, rolling railroad history.”

The cars will be moved from a secure Amtrak facility on the east coast, and drafted into service almost immediately at a midwestern tourist railroad. Railexco’s dedication to preserving the history of passenger railroading extends not just to events like the popular Autumn Colors Express or our various private car charters, and we are excited to share these cars with the public today, and for years to come.

Rail Excursion Management Company is the national leader in private railcar charters, Amtrak Special Trains, passenger rail logistics, and car management. Founded in 2019, Railexco’s team combines over thirty years of experience into a modern, agile service model ready to handle your passenger rail needs.

