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Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad Announces Service to the North Pole This Holiday Season

Durango, CO –The Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad will begin service to the “North Pole” onboard The Polar Express™ beginning November 25, 2005. The story comes to life when the train departs the Durango depot for a one-hour, 15-minute round trip journey to the “North Pole.”

Once onboard the Polar Express, hot cocoa and cookies are served and passengers read along with the holiday children’s classic book, *The Polar Express*, by Chris Van Allsburg. Santa and his helper greet the train at the “North Pole,” and then board the train, where each child is given the gift of a sleigh bell. Song leaders aboard each car lead the passengers in singing Christmas carols on the ride back to Durango.

The journey begins Friday, November 25 and runs through Friday, December 23, 2005. Exact dates and excursion times are available by calling 970-247-2733 or 888-TRAIN-07, or by visiting our Web site at www.durangotrain.com. Tickets are \$24 for adults and \$16 for children. Children are encouraged to wear their pajamas for the adventure!

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