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## **News Release**

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### **Train Tools® API Submitted to NMRA DCC Working Group for RP Approval**

#### **Open API Will Allow Interoperability of all Vendors' Products**

**Kansas City, MO. July 24, 1998** – KAM Industries today announced that they have provided the specification to their Train Tools® API to the NMRA DCC committee. The spec is available openly to any NMRA member and is licensable at no cost to any vendor.

"Our goal is to create an open market for all vendors to ensure that all products in this dynamic industry can freely interoperate with other vendor's products" said Matthew Katzer, Partner of KAM Industries. "We believe that an open API such as this one allows all vendors to innovate around the API, while ensuring interoperability for the customer".

"I have been reluctant to invest in proprietary and closed systems as they could be obsolete within a year" said Paul Schenck, model railroad enthusiast and KAM customer. "With an open API such as this, I feel more confident that all vendors products will work on my layout".

**The API spec is available on the KAM Industries web site at**

[www.kamind.com](http://www.kamind.com). Vendors and users can provide feedback via email at [traintools@kam.rain.com](mailto:traintools@kam.rain.com) or through the NMRA DCC working group committee. Vendors interested in licensing the API at no cost should contact KAM directly at (503) 291-1221.

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