

Former Governor to Head Russian Railways Subsidiary

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Former governor of the Sverdlovsk region Alexander Misharin has taken over as head of Russian Railways' subsidiary company, Skorostniye Magistrali, a news report said Thursday.

Misharin will attend his first meeting as head of the company and first vice president of Russian Railways on Thursday after Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev appointed him to the new posts on Wednesday, the Ura.ru news portal reported Thursday, without citing a source.

The meeting, on the development of high-speed rail lines in Russia, will be chaired by Deputy Prime Minister Arkady Dvorkovich, with whom Misharin recently traveled to Paris as part of Yekaterinburg's bid to host the World Expo exhibition in 2020. The bid was initiated by Misharin when he was still acting governor of the region.

Misharin resigned from his post as Sverdlovsk region governor in May. He previously worked

for Russian Railways between 2005 and 2008, when he served on the company's board of directors.

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