

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report of DST Systems, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), we, Thomas A. McDonnell, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and Kenneth V. Hager, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that: (1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Thomas A. McDonnell

Thomas A. McDonnell
Chief Executive Officer
February 24, 2009

/s/ Kenneth V. Hager

Kenneth V. Hager
Chief Financial Officer
February 24, 2009

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to DST Systems, Inc. and will be retained by DST Systems, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.
