

GREENBRIER COMPANIES INC  
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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**The Greenbrier Companies, Inc.**

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**SUPPLEMENT TO NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS AND  
DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 5, 2018**

On December 19, 2017, Charles J. Swindells, a member of the Board of Directors of The Greenbrier Companies, Inc. (the Company) since 2005, resigned from his position as a member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company (the Nominating Committee), effective immediately.

Mr. Swindells will continue to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Company.

The Board of Directors has not changed its recommendation that the shareholders vote FOR all of the director-nominees, including Mr. Swindells. Biographical information about Mr. Swindells may be found on page 13 of the definitive Proxy Statement (the Proxy Statement) filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on November 14, 2017.

**Important Information**

The Company filed the Proxy Statement with the SEC and furnished to our shareholders primarily via the Internet that Proxy Statement in connection with the solicitation of proxies for the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Shareholders are urged to read the Proxy Statement, as supplemented by this supplement, because it contains important information.