Hulcher was the first railroad contractor to use a sideboom on a derailment project in the 1960s. The sideboom has been the heart and soul of our superior derailment response service ever since.

Today Hulcher Services has Caterpillar® 572 and 583 sidebooms stationed at most of its divisions in the United States, Mexico and Canada.

Hulcher’s sidebooms are fitted with rear winches to provide towing capability of 60 tons or more, and are equipped with cutting torches and all the cables, chains, hooks and tools necessary to respond to any derailment situation. Many of our sidebooms have padded tracks to prevent damage to ties, rail, asphalt and concrete, perfect for working in rail yards and on the right-of-way.

Our sidebooms are used for services including:

- Load, unload and install track panel
- Install diamonds, retarders and switches
- Derailment support
- Load-out and tie down services
- Wheel changes and traction motor changes
- Transportation / relocation

Hulcher’s sideboom operators are railroad specialists. They have received training in railroad applications and are current in safety and security certification requirements for all Class I railroads.

When your project calls for industry-leading sideboom support, call Hulcher at 800-637-5471.