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Subject: February 28, 2022 AAR Circular Letter Summary

The February 2022 summary includes the (8) circular letters issued during the month.

This document provides a summary of each Association of American Railroads (“AAR”) circular letter issued during the previous month. A circular letter provides information of general applicability to the railroad industry, including proposed and final rules, standards, and recommended practices. Circulars are a fee-based service provided by AAR’s Transportation Technology Center, Incorporated (“TTCI”) located in Pueblo, Colorado. You may sign up to receive AAR circular letters online. If you need further assistance with access to circulars, please send any future questions and issues to Pubs@aar.com.

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The following matrix identifies the AAR circular letter number, a summary of the circular, any effective date of a rule, standard, or recommended practice, any comment due date, an impact statement, and to the extent it applies, if the circular letter is mandatory.

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Circular No.	Subject and Summary	Impact Statement
Implemented Changes, Effective the Date of Circular		
CPC-1381 Jan. 31, 2022	<p>Subject: Solicitation of Comments on Proposed Revisions to MSRP Section C-III, Specification for Tank Cars (M-1002), Chapter 1, Chapter 2, and Appendix B.</p> <p>Summary: The Tank Car Committee (TCC) is soliciting comments on the proposed revisions contained within the attachments to this circular by change bars in the margin of Chapter 1, Chapter 2, and Appendix B of AAR MSRP C-III, Specifications for Tank Cars (M-1002).</p> <p>Implementation Date: Comments are requested to be provided within 30 days of the publication of this circular.</p>	<p>Car Type: Tank</p> <p>Car Owner: Possibly</p> <p>Repair Shop: Yes</p> <p>Comments: Tank car facilities should review these proposed revisions and respond accordingly.</p>

<p>C-13933 Feb. 9, 2022</p>	<p>Subject: Implementation of Revisions to MSRP Section T Interoperable Fuel Tenders for Locomotives, Specification M-1004, Specification for Fuel Tenders.</p> <p>Summary: The purpose of this circular letter is to notify the industry of revisions to the Manual of Standards and Recommended Practices - Section T, Interoperable Fuel Tenders for Locomotives, Specification M-1004, Specification for Fuel Tenders.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Revised specification M-1004 is attached to this circular and is now implemented and effective immediately. This modification will be incorporated in the next issue of the Manual of Standards and Recommended Practices, Section T.</p>	<p>Car Type: Railroads/Locomotives</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: If this is a required publication for your location, be sure to update your copy with the revised Section T.</p>
<p>CPC-1388 Feb. 22, 2022</p>	<p>Subject: Notice to Tank Car Facilities Regarding Implementation of Adverse Audit Finding Report Online Tool.</p> <p>Summary: The AAR is deploying a new Adverse Audit Finding Report (AAFR) online tool for tank car facilities. This tool will reside in the existing AAR online system for facility certification and replaces the AAFR paper and email communication processes between the facility primary point of contact and the accredited/certified lead auditor.</p> <p>Implementation Date: A user guide will be made available within the online system no later than March 1, 2022 and accessible through this link https://aar.iirx.net/. AAR will also be offering Demonstration Webinars to showcase the navigation and features of this tool. Refer to this CPC for registration information.</p>	<p>Car Type: Tank</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Yes</p> <p>Comments: The use of this online tool becomes effective and mandatory for tank car facility audits performed after April 4, 2022.</p>
<p>Changes Pending 30-Day Comment Period from Date of Circular</p>		
<p>C-13931 Feb. 3, 2022</p>	<p>Subject: Solicitation of Comments: Revisions to MSRP F, Sensors, S-920, Component Identification Bar Code Standard - Sections 10 Wheel Set CID Labels.</p> <p>Summary: AAR's Component Tracking Taskforce (CTTF) and the Equipment Health Monitoring Committee (EHMC) recently approved a draft modification to the noted section as it relates to the wheelset component identification (CID) label.</p> <p>Implementation Date: All comments relevant to the proposed revisions, received within 30 days of the date of issuance of this circular will be considered by the EHMC and CTTF.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: This change effects wheel shops.</p>

<p>C-13932 Feb. 7, 2022</p>	<p>Subject: DRAFT S-9009.V1.0 - Certificate Requirements is available for review and comment, in support of AAR's MSRP - Section K-V, Electronics Environmental Requirements and Systems Management.</p> <p>Summary: The Positive Train Control Interoperability Committee (PTCIC) of the Association of American Railroads (AAR) is publishing DRAFT Recommended Practice S-9009.V1.0 - Certificate Requirements for review and comment.</p> <p>Implementation Date: This document will have a 10-day comment period. the time will begin with the date posted, 2/7/2022.</p>	<p>Car Type: Railroads</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: All comments will be available for review.</p>
<p>C-13934 Feb. 9, 2022</p>	<p>Subject: DRAFT S-9451.V2.0 - ITCSM Common Systems Management Requirements is available for review and comment in support of AAR's MSRP - Section K-V, Electronics Environmental Requirements and Systems Management.</p> <p>Summary: The Positive Train Control Interoperability Committee (PTCIC) of the Association of American Railroads (AAR) is publishing DRAFT Standard S-9451.V2.0 - ITCSM Systems Management Requirements for review and comment.</p> <p>Implementation Date: This document will have a 10-day comment period. The time will begin 2/9/2022.</p>	<p>Car Type: Railroads</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: Interested parties are encouraged to review the PowerPoint presentation from Railinc regarding the migration of and how to login to the RESC SharePoint site (all Railinc sites were migrated).</p>
<p>C-13935 Feb. 11, 2022</p>	<p>Subject: Solicitation of Comments for Revisions to MSRP Section S, Casting Details, Specification M-220, Casting Component Nondestructive Testing Requirements, regarding updates to NDT requirements.</p> <p>Summary: This circular letter is to solicit comments for revisions proposed to Section S, Specification M-220, Casting Component Nondestructive Testing Requirements, regarding updates to various inspection requirements including yoke placements and images.</p> <p>Implementation Date: All comments, relevant to the proposed revisions, received within 30 days of the issuance of this circular will be considered by the CSTCC prior to acting.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: Yes</p> <p>Comments: Interested parties should review these proposed revisions and provide comments accordingly.</p>

<p>C-13936 Feb. 22, 2022</p>	<p>Subject: Solicitation of Comments for Revisions to MSRP Section S, Casting Details, Specification M-211, Foundry and Product Approval Requirements for the Manufacture of Couplers, Coupler Yokes, Knuckles, Follower Blocks, and Coupler Parts, regarding updates to Ap.</p> <p>Summary: This circular letter is to solicit comments for revisions proposed to Section S, Specification M-211, Foundry and Product Approval Requirements for the Manufacture of Couplers, Coupler Yokes, Knuckles, Follower Blocks, and Coupler Parts, regarding updates to couplers and knuckles in Appendix A – Referenced Figures and Tables and updates to Appendixes E and F Design Features for coupler head lug.</p> <p>Implementation Date: All comments, relevant to the proposed revisions, received within 30 days of the issuance of this circular will be considered by the CSTCC prior to acting.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: Interested parties should review these changes and provide comments accordingly.</p>
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