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Subject: February 2021 AAR Circular Letter Summary

The February 2021 summary includes the (9) circular letters issued during the month.

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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		
C-13745 Feb. 22, 2021	<p>Subject: Implementation of Retirement and Archival of AAR MSRP Section M - Standard S-5512 – Locomotive Event Recorder Download Standard.</p> <p>Summary: The purpose of this Circular is to notify the industry of the retirement of MSRP Section M, Standard S-5512 – Locomotive Event Recorder Download Standard.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Effective immediately, S-5512 is hereby retired.</p>	<p>Car Type: Locomotive</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: Remove the Standard from Section M and be governed accordingly.</p>

<p>C-13746 Feb. 23, 2021</p>	<p>Subject: CRB Data Exchange Type 6 Records and FindUs.Rail.</p> <p>Summary: The Car Repair Billing (CRB) Committee has approved a proposal to allow Railinc to update missing contact information in FindUs.Rail with contact information from CRB inbound Record Type 6.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Direct questions to the Miles Lucero at mlucero@aar.org.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: Yes</p> <p>Repair Shop: Yes</p> <p>Comments: It is recommended that this information be shared with all Car Repair Billing and IT personnel in your company that work with or are responsible for Car Repair Invoices submitted to and/or received from Railinc's CRB Data Exchange.</p>
<p>C-13747 Feb. 24, 2021 <u>Mandatory Circular</u></p>	<p>Subject: Effective Immediately: Corrections to Field Manual Rule 41, Wheels.</p> <p>Summary: This circular letter is to notify the industry that there were misprints found on two pages in Rule 41 of the January 2021 English & Spanish Field Manuals.</p> <p>Implementation Date: This circular is identified as mandatory in accordance with Field Manual Rule 1.5.b(11) and <u>must be maintained until the next revision of the Field Manual.</u></p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: Yes</p> <p>Repair Shop: Yes</p> <p>Comments: The attached pdfs contain revised English Field Manual pages 349 and 358 and Spanish Field Manual pages 384 and 393. Revisions are identified with change bars.</p>
<p>C-13749 Feb. 26, 2021</p>	<p>Subject: AAR Manual of Standards and Recommended Practices (MSRP), Section K-1 Railway Electronics Systems Architecture and Concept of Operations, Standard S-9081.V1.1.</p> <p>Summary: Standard S-9081.V1.1 contains the format and establishes some of the data contents of the Train Sheet Transaction Set (EDI 161), Applicable Advise - Train Sheet (EDI 824) and Train Consist Transaction Set (EDI 418J) for use within the context of Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) environment.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Standard S-9081.V1.1 was Adopted in 2021 and is attached to this Circular in PDF format. It will be incorporated in the next issue of the MSRP, Section K-1 Railway Electronics Systems Architecture and Concept of Operations.</p>	<p>Car Type: Railroads</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: If Section K-1 is a required publication for your facility, download the revised Standard and insert it into your copy of Section K-1</p>

Changes Pending 30-Day Comment Period from Date of Circular		
<p>C-13742 Feb. 9, 2021</p>	<p>Subject: ITC Systems Management Interoperable Gateway Requirements is available for review and comment. In support of AAR's MSRP, Section K-1, Railway Electronics Systems Architecture and Concept of Operations.</p> <p>Summary: The Positive Train Control Interoperability Committee (PTCIC) of the Association of American Railroads (AAR) is publishing DRAFT Standard S-9076.V1.0 - ITC Systems Management Interoperable Gateway Requirements for review and comment.</p> <p>Implementation Date: In order to provide time for review and comment, this document will have a 15-day comment period. The period will begin February 9, 2021.</p>	<p>Car Type: Railroads</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: This document describes the ITCSM Gateway requirements for processing interoperable ISMP messages.</p>
<p>C-13743 Feb. 9, 2021</p>	<p>Subject: S-9075.V1.0 - ISMP Design Considerations is available for review and comment. In support of AAR's MSRP, Section K-1, Railway Electronics Systems Architecture and Concept of Operations.</p> <p>Summary: The Positive Train Control Interoperability Committee (PTCIC) of the Association of American Railroads (AAR) is publishing Draft S-9075.V1.0 - ISMP Design Considerations for review and comment.</p> <p>Implementation Date: In order to provide time for review and comment, this document will have a 15-day comment period. The period will begin February 9, 2021.</p>	<p>Car Type: Railroads</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: SharePoint access can be found at www.railinc.com. Individuals and organizations who have a company ID may access the SharePoint site directly.</p>
<p>C-13744 Feb. 9, 2021</p>	<p>Subject: S-9355.V2.0 - Class C Messaging is available for review and comment. In support of AAR's MSRP, Section K-IV, Office Architecture and Railroad Electronics Messaging.</p> <p>Summary: The Positive Train Control Interoperability Committee (PTCIC) of the Association of American Railroads (AAR) is publishing Draft Standard S-9355.V2.0 for review and comment.</p> <p>Implementation Date: In order to provide time for review and comment, this document will have a 15-day comment period. The period will begin February 9, 2021.</p>	<p>Car Type: Railroads</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: SharePoint access can be found at www.railinc.com. Individuals and organizations who have a company ID may access the SharePoint site directly.</p>

<p>C-13748 Feb. 25, 2021</p>	<p>Subject: Revisions to MSRP Section C, Car Construction Fundamentals and Details, Standard S-2043, Performance Specification for Trains Used to Carry HLRM.</p> <p>Summary: this circular letter is to solicit comments for revisions proposed to Section C, Car Construction Fundamentals and Details, Standard S-2043, Performance Specification for Trains Used to Carry High Level Radioactive Material. The main purpose of the revisions is to update requirements based on experience gained in recent years during the testing and approving of HLRM equipment. Changes are summarized within this circular.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Comments received within 30 days of the issuance of this circular will be considered by the Equipment Engineering Committee prior to implementation.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight Carrying Radioactive Material</p> <p>Car Owner: No</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: Proposed changes are highlighted with change bars in the attached draft to this circular.</p>
<p>C-13750 Feb. 26, 2021</p>	<p>Subject: Solicitation of Comments, Office Manual Rule 88, Form 88-C, Rule 93 and Appendix E.</p> <p>Summary: A proposal to revise Rule 88 and remove the Form 88-C paper submission process for newly acquired units was reviewed and approved. Buyers will no longer be required to submit a paper copy of Form 88-C to the AAR for newly acquired equipment. Instead, buyers will have visibility (via CSV download) in Umler to the current fields listed on Form 88-C prior to accepting confidential data access rights during the Umler transfer process.</p> <p>Implementation Date: Comments should be sent to Miles Lucero at mlucero@aar.org within 30 days of this letter for consideration.</p>	<p>Car Type: Freight</p> <p>Car Owner: Yes</p> <p>Repair Shop: No</p> <p>Comments: The buyer will be required to certify that the newly acquired units meet basic safety and mechanical requirements as required by Rule 88 prior to accepting confidential data access rights and continuing through the restencil process.</p>