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AAR IOC UPDATE

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AAR IOC Mission

Promote interline policies, practices and procedures that improve intermodal service, facilitate growth of Intermodal traffic and ensure the safety and efficiency of intermodal equipment and operation in North American interchange service.

2012 AAR IOC Accomplishments

- Revised and published AAR Specifications
 - M-930 Closed Van Containers for Domestic Intermodal Service
 - M-931 Trailers for Intermodal Service
- Approved a new model of IBC for Intermodal use (Buffers model 6961)
- Started compiling a list of AAR approved inter-box connectors (IBC's) to comply with provisions of M-998.
- Started work on a flat rack "container" specification as an appendix for M-930.
- "Tire Task Force" to better align AAR with UIIA, FMCSA, and DOT regulations and guidelines.
- AAR Intermodal Interchange Rules Matrix, and Matrix manual.

2013 AAR IOC Goals

- ***2013 New Goals***
 - ***Publication of a flat rack container specification as an appendix to M-930***
 - ***Establishment of an IBC minimum height requirement in accordance with ISO 3874.1 (30 mm +/- 5 mm)***
 - ***Develop an accurate Intermodal Interchange Rules subscriber list***

2013 AAR IOC Goals

- ***2012 Carry Over Goals***
 - ***Alignment of AAR Intermodal Interchange Rules with industry out-of-service criteria for tires (UIAA, DOT and FMCSA)***
 - ***Establish an EDI standard for repair bill invoicing and no-bill repair information***
 - ***IOC Task Force to compile a list of AAR Approved Interbox Connectors (IBC's) to comply with the provisions of paragraph 6.2 of M-998 – inclusion on aar.com and inclusion in the Intermodal Trailer and Container Securement Manual***
 - ***Continued review and update of AAR matrix job codes and repair responsibilities.***

Industry Challenge – New Design “Containers” and Other Products

- ***New and different “containers”. Examples:***
 - *40’ Tank container*
 - *53’ Domestic flat rack*
 - *20’ hopper container*
- ***AAR IOC needs to develop broad guidelines to ensure new manufacturers are not stifled with regulations while ensuring new “containers” are safe to ship and interchange.***
- ***AAR IOC must be proactive with equipment manufacturers to ensure early engagement with the IOC and railroads.***
- ***Additional IBC manufacturers entering the market***

Questions?