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CASUALTY PREVENTION CIRCULAR (CPC-1325)

SUBJECT: Final Action, Revision to MSRP Section C Part III, M-1002, Specifications for Tank Cars, Chapter 2

TO: THE MEMBERS AND PRIVATE CAR OWNERS

This is the final action on revisions affecting Chapter 2 of the AAR *Manual of Standards and Recommended Practices* (MSRP), Section C, Part III, Specifications for Tank Cars (M-1002). These revisions address requirements for free interchange tank cars used for the transportation of materials toxic-by-inhalation (“TIH”) products.

This action addresses the timeframe for requiring the transportation of TIH material in the package specified in 49 CFR 179.102-3 for cars marked “DOT” and in TP-14877, paragraph 10.5.1.2, for cars marked “TC.” This activity will supersede CPC-1187 dated March 31, 2008.

2.8 Tank Cars Transporting TIH

2.8.1 After July 1, 2023, all tank cars used to transport products classified as TIH must comply with the requirements for tank cars built on or after March 16, 2009 (see 49 CFR 173.244 (a)(2), 173.314 (c) Note (12), 179.16 (c)(1), and 179.102-3 for cars marked DOT, or TP-14877 paragraph 10.5.1.2 for cars marked TC).

2.8.2 After July 1, 2019, all tank cars used to transport products classified as TIH, manufactured from carbon steel plate, must have tank heads and shells constructed of normalized material.

The following CPCs relate to this single effort:

- CPC-1187 - Change to the Implementation of the AAR Standard for Tank Cars Transporting Toxic Inhalation Hazard Commodities; and
- CPC-1184 - AAR Requirements for Tank Cars in Toxic Inhalation Hazard Commodity Service
- CPC-1324- Solicitation of Comments on Proposed Revision to MSRP Section C Part III, M-1002, Specifications for Tank Cars, Chapter 2

Questions concerning the applicability of these changes to the AAR MSRP Section C Part III Specifications for Tank Cars (M-1002) should be directed to the Executive Director Tank Car Safety. AAR will respond separately to those that submitted comments on CPC-1324.

Respectfully Submitted,



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