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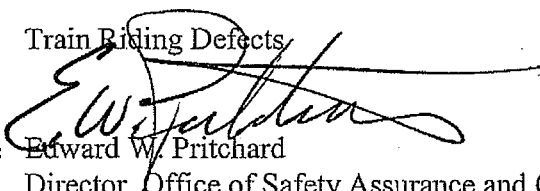
Federal Railroad Administration

Memorandum

Date: **FEB 12 2009**

Reply to Attn of: **OP-09-01**

Subject: Train Riding Defects

From: 
Edward W. Pritchard
Director, Office of Safety Assurance and Compliance

To: Regional Administrators

Purpose:

The following procedures are intended to allow the FRA Office of Safety to analyze and quantify non-compliance with Federal regulations, Railroad Operating Rules (ROR), and Railroad Safety Rules (RSR) observed and recorded during 217(R)-freight train onboard inspections, 217(L)-remote control locomotive operations, and 217(X)-passenger train onboard inspections.

Procedures:

Inspectors conducting onboard inspections must include the following additional information in the Train#/Site box of the F6180.96 inspection report line item.

After entering the applicable onboard inspection activity code (217R, 217L or 217X) in the inspection report header, record, in the usual manner, line item defects observed during the onboard inspection covered by activity codes such as 217E, 218O, 220, 222O, 240, RWP, etc. In addition, line item defects observed during the onboard inspection must be identified by placing the appropriate onboard inspection activity code, 217R, 217L or 217X, in the Train#/Site block for that line item.

Onboard inspection reports that cover an inspector's designated "day of train riding per pay period," must include the letters OBI (onboard inspection) in the file number box at the bottom of the F6180.96 inspection report. The file number box is only on the FRA copy of the inspection report.

OBI

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INSPECTION REPORT

Inspector's Name		Inspector's Signature			Inspector's ID No. 49315 A		Report No. 1		Date yy mm dd 2009 02 04		
Railroad/Company Name & Address UNION PACIFIC RR CO. 222 Railroad Ave. North Platte NE 36789				R/C R	Division SYSTEM		RR/Co. Representative (Receipt Acknowledged) Name Charles Shepard Title Terminal Superintendent Signature _____				
From: City NORTH PLATTE		Codes 3520	Destination City & County				Codes	From Latitude			
State NE		31	City					From Longitude			
County LINCOLN		C111	County					To Latitude			
Mile Post: From To		Inspection Point ONBOARD			To Longitude						
Activity Code:	217R	220	217E	RWP	240	218T					
Units:	1	1	1	1	1	1					

Item	Initials/Milepost	Equipment/Track #	Type/Kind	49 CFR/ USC	Defect	Subrule	Speed	Class	Train #/Site	SNFR*	RCL**	# of Occ.***	Activity Code
1										N	N	0	217R

Description - [** Comment to Railroad/Company **]
This onboard inspection covered observations of the crew for compliance with carrier operating/safety rules and federal regulations.

Violation Recommended Yes No Latitude: Longitude:

Written Notification to FRA of Remedial Action is: Required Optional Railroad Action Code: Date(mm/dd/yyyy): Comments on back?:

Item	Initials/Milepost	Equipment/Track #	Type/Kind	49 CFR/ USC	Defect	Subrule	Speed	Class	Train #/Site	SNFR*	RCL**	# of Occ.***	Activity Code
2				220	0033	A			217R	N	N	1	220

Description
EXCEPTION TAKEN: AN EMPLOYEE RECEIVING A RADIO CALL FAILED TO PROMPTLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE CALL BY IDENTIFYING THE EMPLOYEE'S STATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH 49 CFR PART 220.27 AND STAND BY TO RECEIVE

Violation Recommended Yes No Latitude: Longitude:

Written Notification to FRA of Remedial Action is: Required Optional Railroad Action Code: Date(mm/dd/yyyy): Comments on back?:

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3				EO	0026	C2A			217R	N	N	1	217E

Description
EXCEPTION TAKEN: EMPLOYEE FAILED TO TURN OFF EACH PERSONAL ELECTRONIC OR ELECTRICAL DEVICE OR FAILED TO REMOVE EAR PIECE FROM EAR, WHEN EMPLOYEE WAS ON THE GROUND DURING THE PERFORMAMCE OF HIS/HER DUTIES.

Violation Recommended Yes No Latitude: Longitude:

Written Notification to FRA of Remedial Action is: Required Optional Railroad Action Code: Date(mm/dd/yyyy): Comments on back?:

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INSPECTION REPORT

(Continuation)

Inspector's ID No. 19315	Report No. 1	Report Date 02/04/2009
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Item	Initials/Milepost	Equipment/Track #	Type/Kind	49 CFR/USC	Defect	Subrule	Speed	Class	Train #/Site	SNFR*	RCL**	# of Occ.***	Activity Code
4				214	0339	03			217R	N	N	1	RWP

Description
EXCEPTION TAKEN: FAILURE OF TRAIN TO GIVE AUDIBLE WARNING WHERE REQUIRED

Violation Recommended Yes No Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____

Written Notification to FRA of Remedial Action is: Required Optional Railroad Action Code: [][] Date(mm/dd/yyyy): [][] Comments on back?

Item	Initials/Milepost	Equipment/Track #	Type/Kind	49 CFR/USC	Defect	Subrule	Speed	Class	Train #/Site	SNFR*	RCL**	# of Occ.***	Activity Code
5				240	0303	B				N	N	0	240

Description - [** Comment to Railroad/Company **]
NO EXCEPTION TAKEN: ENGINEER WAS MONITORED FOR PERFORMANCE SKILLS ONCE EACH CALENDAR YEAR

Violation Recommended Yes No Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____

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Item	Initials/Milepost	Equipment/Track #	Type/Kind	49 CFR/USC	Defect	Subrule	Speed	Class	Train #/Site	SNFR*	RCL**	# of Occ.***	Activity Code
6				218	0055					N	N	0	218T

Description - [** Comment to Railroad/Company **]
NO EXCEPTION TAKEN: TAMPERING WITH SAFETY DEVICES

Violation Recommended Yes No Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____

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