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Circular Letter

Subject: Midland Manufacturing 720 Series Valve Modification and Replacement

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The Association of American Railroads Tank Car Committee has determined that all Midland Manufacturing 720 series valves (A-720, A-721, A-721B and A-724) should be modified or replaced with valves manufactured or rebuilt to current approved valve configurations. All valves of this design series must be modified in accordance with this CPC. All valves must be modified at the next scheduled requalification or July 1, 2024, whichever is sooner. All newly installed valves must conform to current approvals. After July 1, 2024, tank cars with valves not conforming to the current approvals will be considered out of compliance with the AAR Manual of Standards and Recommended Practices and will not be accepted in North American Interchange.

Valves must be configured to one of the following current AAR TCC approvals:

E182102 for A-720 and A-724 Valves

E182103 for A-721B Valves

E182104 for A-721 Valves

Attached are the manufacturer's technical bulletins. Questions and requests for components should be forwarded to Midland Customer Service: 847-677-0333 or Technical Sales, Steve Wells: 847-929-6870. Below is a link to the manufacturer's Installation, Operation and Maintenance Manual.

<http://www.opwglobal.com/docs/libraries/manuals/transportation/midland/a-720-a-721b-a-724-angle-valve.pdf?sfvrsn=75>
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Valves modified to conform to the current approvals should be reported to Midland Customer Service. The information in this circular supersedes the information provided in CPC-1327.

Sincerely,

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