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CASUALTY PREVENTION CIRCULAR (CPC-1344)

SUBJECT: AAR M-1002 Tank Car Facility Certification Status

TO: MEMBERS AND PRIVATE CAR OWNERS

The purpose of this AAR CPC is to clarify the AAR M-1002 certification status of existing facilities and existing AAR M-1002 registered tank car facilities applying for M-1002 and M-1003 certification.

Existing AAR M-1002 certified tank car facilities:

If a facility initiates the recertification proceedings in accordance with AAR M-1002, Appendix B, 3.7, and the certification expiration date passes during the pendency of the recertification proceedings, the facility can continue to operate in accordance with its current M-1002 certification until further notice from AAR.

Existing AAR M-1002 registered tank car facilities:

The rule described above for existing AAR M-1002 certified tank car facilities applies in the same way to existing registered facilities, i.e., a registered facility that has applied for certification on time but has had certification delayed can continue to operate in accordance with the scope of its current AAR M-1002 registration until further notice from AAR. Pursuant to the registration sunset provisions of AAR CPC-1260 (October 9, 2013), all registered facilities must apply for M-1002 and M-1003 certification 6 months prior their current AAR M-1002 registration expiration date.

This CPC is effective immediately through December 31, 2019; the policy set forth above is expected to be added to AAR's rules effective January 1, 2020.

Questions should be directed to Matt Forister, Director of Tank Car Safety @ mforister@aar.org.

Sincerely,

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