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Circular Letter

Subject:Implementation of Editorial Changes to Figure 128-A - PIPE, STEEL, BARE, COATED, 6 5/8 IN. TO 14 IN. O.D., 43 FT. LONG AND OVER - BULKHEAD FLATCARS, WITH CUSHIONING DEVICES - Section 2 AAR OPEN TOP LOADING RULES MANUAL (OTLR)

To:MEMBERS AND PRIVATE CAR OWNERS **File Number:LR 4.1.96**

The AAR's Open Top Loading Rules Committee (OTLRC) has approved the editorial changes to Figure 128-A, Section 2 of the AAR Open Top Loading Rules.

Figure 128-A:

Original Item E: Vacant

New Item E: 2 per each layer - Place under bottom layer encircling entire load evenly spaced, as far as possible from bearing pieces, separators, and other bands. Locate end bands approximately 3ft. from each end of the load with the others equally spaced in-between.

Original Item G: 3- Encircling bands: 2 in. × .044 in. high tension. Locate under bottom layer encircling entire load, evenly spaced. Locate as far as possible from bearing pieces, separators, and other bands.

New Item G: 4- Encircling bands: 2 in. × .044 in. high tension. Place under bottom layer encircling entire load evenly spaced, as far as possible from bearing pieces, separators, and other bands. Locate end bands approximately 3ft. from each end of the load with the others equally spaced in-between.

The implementation of these editorial changes to Figure 128-A, Section 2 are effective immediately and will be included in the next edition of the AAR's OTLR Manual. In the interim, please insert the circular attachment for Figure128-A in your copy Section 2 and be governed accordingly. Carriers are asked to ensure that copies of this circular letter are distributed to all concerned shippers and railroad personnel for their attention and guidance.

Questions should be directed to Mr. Mike Sandoval, Manager-AAR Loading Rules and Damage Prevention, TTCI, P.O. Box 11130, 55500 DOT Road, Pueblo CO 81001. Or email to mike_sandoval@aar.com.

ON BEHALF OF THE OPEN TOP LOADING RULES COMMITTEE

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