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### **CEPM-Wheelsets**

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## **Discussion Topics**

- Introduction to CEPM
- Manufacturers
- Wheel Shops
- > Repair Shops
- CEPM Next Steps



### **CEPM Introduction**

The goal of the CEPM Program is to identify and track critical components on Railcars. The industry has been working with Railinc on the systems to support component tracking and rollout freight car wheelset tracking in Phase I.

This presentation will provide an overview of CEPM and provide information to manufacturers, wheel shops, and repair shops to get them ready for CEPM reporting requirements.





### **About Railinc**



Railinc applications and services are critical in operations and financial systems throughout the industry and support railroads, equipment owners and rail industry suppliers.

As subsidiaries of the AAR, Railinc and TTCI support standards and systems to ensure the safe and efficient operation of the North American fleet.



## **CEPM Component Tracking Objectives**



Support Recall of Components identified with safety issues

Support equipment owners with details of components on their equipment

 Capability to track performance of components related to component life, failure rates, and history of the component.



### Industry Requirements

- Establish <u>industry rules</u> for reporting component details and application to equipment
- Develop a <u>re-usable framework</u> that can support a list of priorities for tracking wheelsets, castings, valves, PTC, GPS devices, brakes, cushioning, traction motors, etc.
- Maintain <u>Confidentiality</u> of reported data
- Support <u>Bar Code</u> and RFID standards



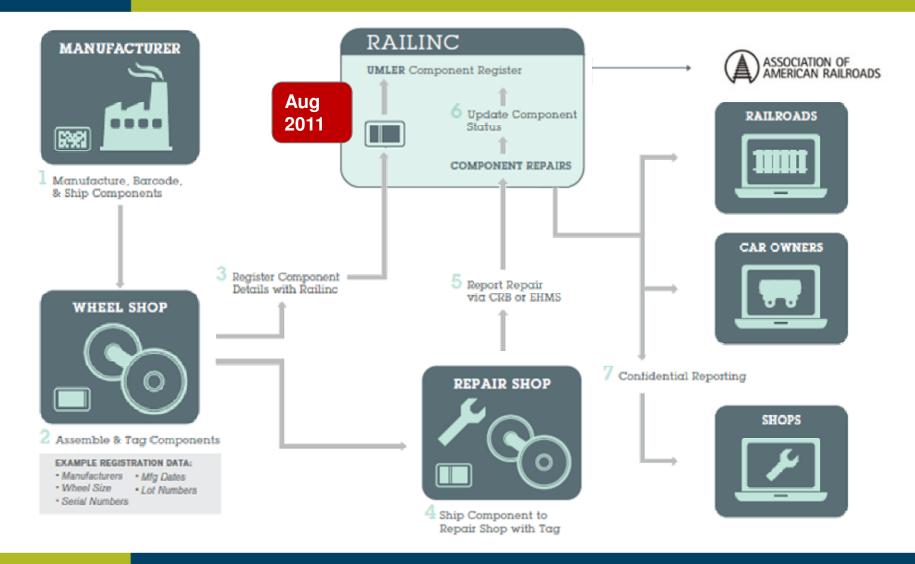
### **CEPM Task Force**

The CEPM Task Force is chaired by Dr. Todd Snyder (UP) and includes members and representatives from across the Industry.

- Equipment Owners
- Wheel Shops & Repair Shops
- Manufacturers
- Railroads
- Software Providers
- Industry Committees, AAR, & TTCI



### **CEPM Wheelset Process Flow**





### **Key Contributions for Success**



Manufacturers – Communicate Specs to Shops via Barcode



Wheel Shops – Data Entry to register wheelset details



Repair Shops – Report wheelset application to equipment



Railinc – Data processing and Integration



Railroads – Event reporting for mileage



3<sup>rd</sup> Party Software Providers – System changes for Shops



## Circular Letter C-11496 (Bar Coding)

Thomas J. Stahura Executive Director, Rules and Standards



Thursday, August 25, 2011 C-11496

#### Circular Letter

Subject: SOLICITATION FOR COMMENTS - Comprehensive Equipment Performance Monitoring (CEPM) Standards To: MEMBERS AND PRIVATE CAR OWNERS

File Number: ATSI & EHMS SC

This Circular Letter is soliciting comments to the proposed Comprehensive Equipment Performance Monitoring (CEPM) Standards.

The Association of American Railroads (AAR) Comprehensive Equipment Performance Monitoring (CEPM) task force (sponsored by ATSI), in conjunction with the Wheels, Axles, Bearings, and Lubrication (WABL) Committee invite your review of the following documents that pertain to the newly developed bar-coding standard and the data definitions that support the electronic tracking of wheel sets. This request is being done in anticipation of the January 2012 implementation that will require component manufacturers to label wheels, axles and bearings for use in the AAR system.

There is an overview of the entire component tracking project at Railinc.com/CEPM. That overview contains proposed timelines and additional background.

One attachment is for the bar code standard. The other attachment details the data that will be required.

Comments from interested parties are herewith solicited under the provisions of AAR Standard S-050. Please submit any comments or questions to Ken Rownd, Manager, WABL Committee at TTCI.



### Bar Codes, RFID primer

BarCode: 1D BarCode

ABCD1234567890 =



Used for AAR Component Identification, Little Data



BarCode: 2D BarCode or Bar Code Matrix

ABCD1234567890 =



Used for Carrying much data, with redundancy



RFID: Example: AEI



Used for Carrying much data, wireless/remote



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### Manufacturers – Keys to Success



Manufacturers of Wheels, Axles, and Bearings will be responsible for accurate barcoding that includes necessary data to support Wheel Shop reporting requirements.

Circular for Comments to WABL by October 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Key Documents;

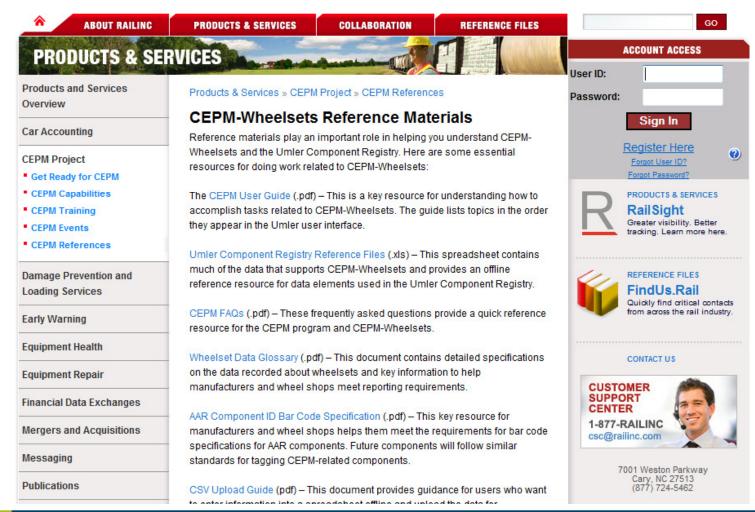
- AAR CEPM Bar Coding Specification (Wheelsets)
  - What the OEM 2D bar code should look like
- Wheelset Data Glossary
  - Data Elements that need to be reported
- Reference File
  - Permissible Values



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## Manufacturers – Bar Coding Specification



### AAR Manual of Standards and Recommended Practices

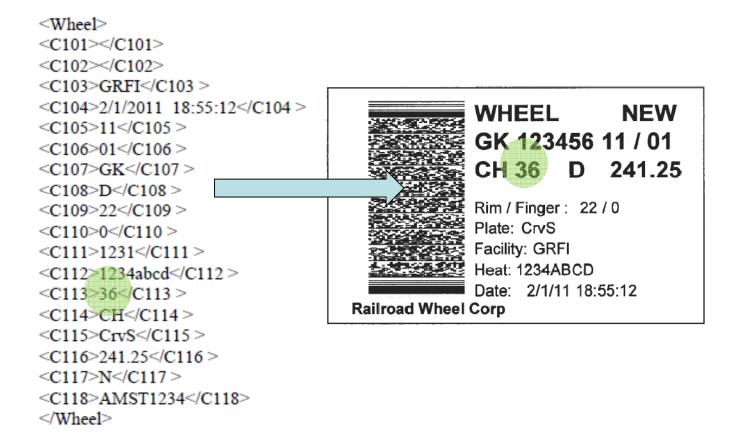
S-XXX SEGMENT 1.0

- 1 AAR Component Identification (CID) Bar Code Specifications
- 2 Specification M-XXX
- 3 Adopted: XXX 1, 2011
- 4 Purpose and Scope
- 5 The purpose of this specification is to establish an industry standard for the AAR Component Identification Bar Code.
- This standard defines the method and content of bar code labels on components to be tracked within the AAR systems. This will better support the management, administration and maintenance of railroad equipment assets by providing traceability of component performance throughout their life cycle.



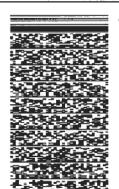
## Manufacturers – Bar Coding Specification







### Wheel, Axle and Bearing OEM 2D Bar Codes



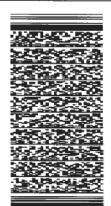
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**Railroad Wheel Corp** 



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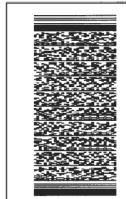
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Class: 7
Condition: 2
Facility: GRFI

Converter: ABCD Plating: AXIS1234

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Railroad Axle Corp



BEARING 12345678 11 / 01

Facility: TRBC Seal: HDL Cert: 01A Ring: SureFit

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Railroad Bearing Corp







### Decoding the Data in the Bar Code

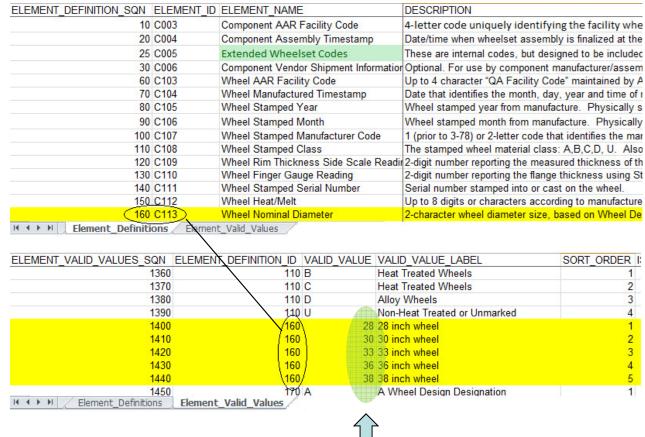
The Data Glossary describes the data, who is required to report the information, and which barcode the data should be reported on.

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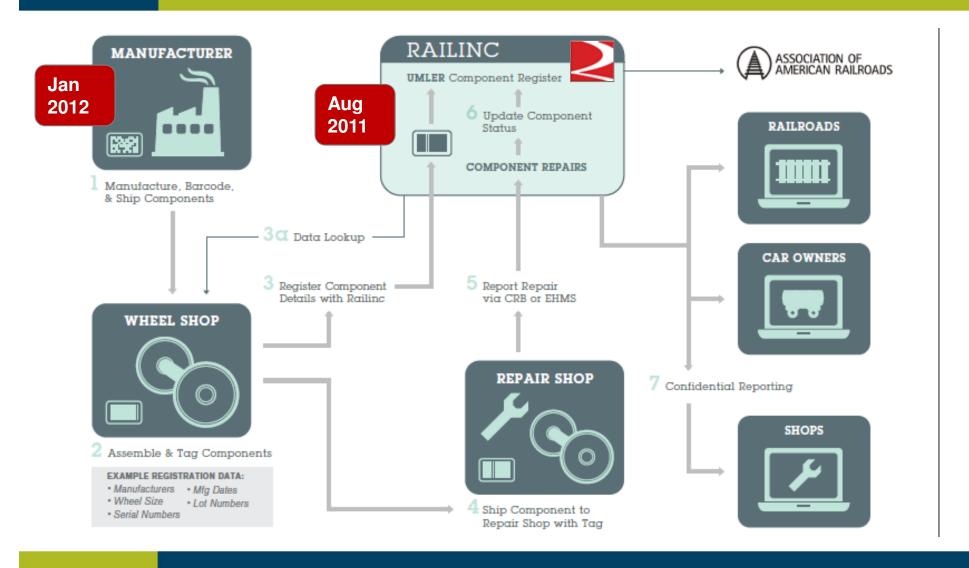
### The Reference File lists permissible values

For some data, the information must be recorded exactly as defined in the reference files. Incorrect data on a barcode will effect the value of barcoding for customers.





### **CEPM-Wheelsets Process Flow**





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# Wheelset Assembly





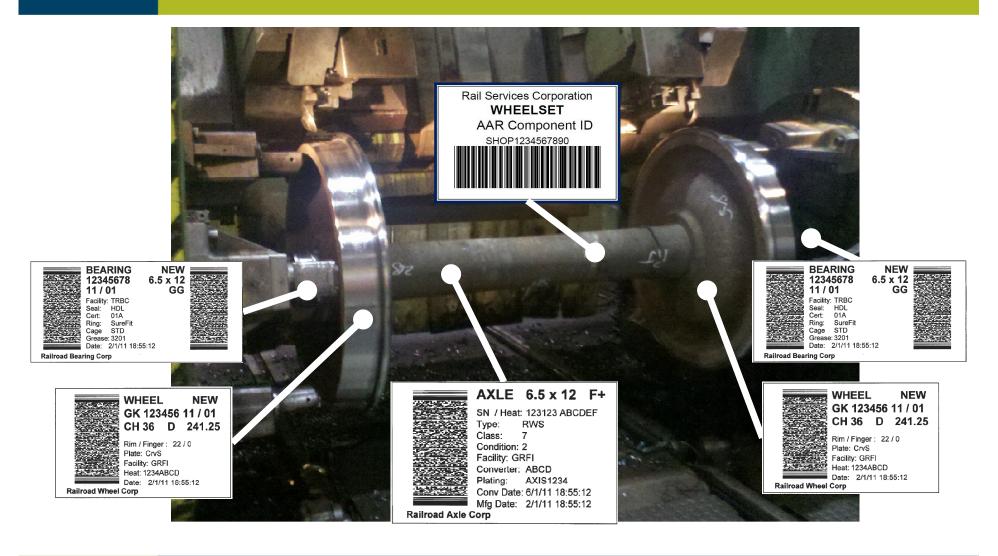
## Communicating data through Bar Codes







### Wheelset Barcodes





### Wheel Shops – Keys to Success



Assemblers of Wheelsets will be responsible for accurate collection of bar code data from wheels, axles, and bearings.

They will associate that data to a pre-printed 1D barcode that is applied to the assembled wheelset.

The complete wheelset data will be sent to Railinc and constitutes the Wheelset Registration.

### Key Documents;

- AAR CEPM Bar Coding Specification (Wheelsets)
  - Read the OEM 2D bar code for each wheel, axle, & bearing
  - Creation of 1D bar code for the wheelset
- Wheelset Data Glossary
  - Data Elements that need to be reported
- Reference File
  - Permissible Values



## Prerequisites to Component Registration



- Contact Railinc
  - Get a Company ID
  - Register for an SSO User ID
- Read the User Guide and Specifications to understand the requirements for reporting
- 3. Request Access to Umler from your Umler Company Administrator (that may be you)
- 4. Request Component Maintenance Access from your Umler Company Administrator
- Determine how AAR Component IDs will be managed by your company



## Wheelset Registration with Railinc



Companies have two ways to register a wheelset

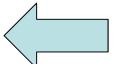
- 1) Railinc.com
  - Input one wheelset at a time
  - Upload CSV
- 2) XML via Web Services Real time transactional integration

Web Service will allow Wheel Shops to automate reporting of information through their own systems



# Component Registration via the railinc.com website

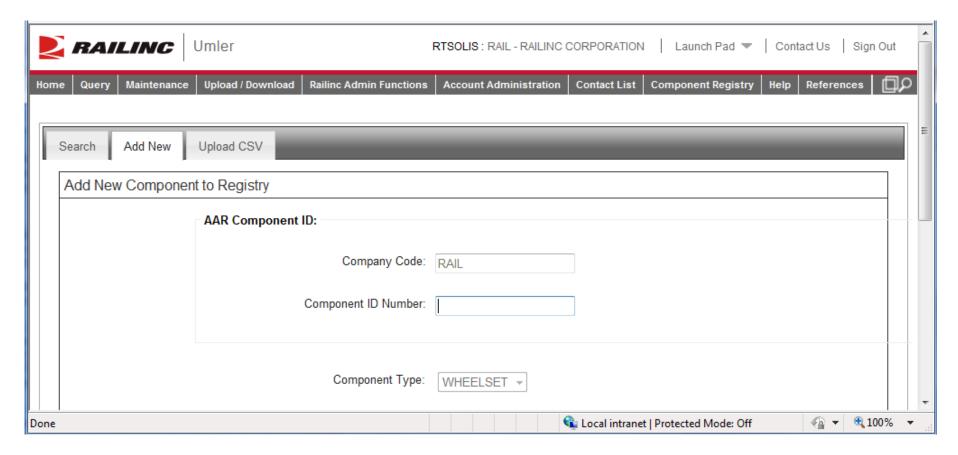




Login with your SSO User ID



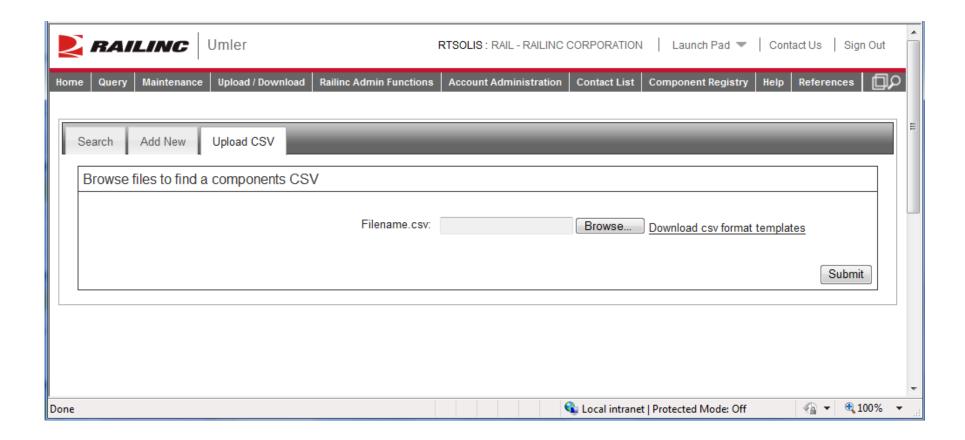
## Option #1 - Component Registration Interface



Enter information for each component to register. Low Volume users.



# Option #2 – Upload via CSV



More Efficient way to register components. Refer to the CSV Upload Guide as well as templates that are available.



## Option #3 – Web Services Integration

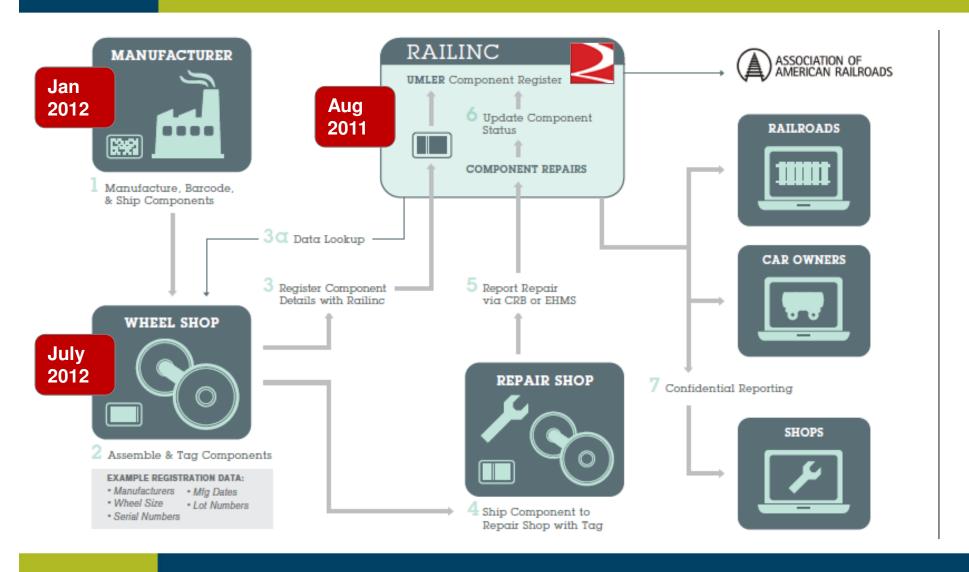


If your company is interested in the technical specification for integrating your products with the Umler Component Registry, please contact <a href="mailto:csc@railinc.com">csc@railinc.com</a>

Railinc can provide WSDLs and technical specifications to get you started with data integration.



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# Communicating data through Bar Codes





## CEPM Systems to report association

### **Umler**

Component Registry – Components can be registered, as well as associated to equipment

CRB – Changes to include AAR Component ID with reporting

EHMS - Changes to include AAR Component ID with Alert Closure reporting



## Circular Letter C-11430 (CRB Format 327-340)

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Manager-Car Repair and Intercha

Manager-Car Repair and Interchange Services



April 29, 2011

[C-11430]

Circular Letter

Subject: Version 7.3 of the Car Repair Billing Procedures Manual is Available

To: MEMBERS AND PRIVATE CAR OWNERS

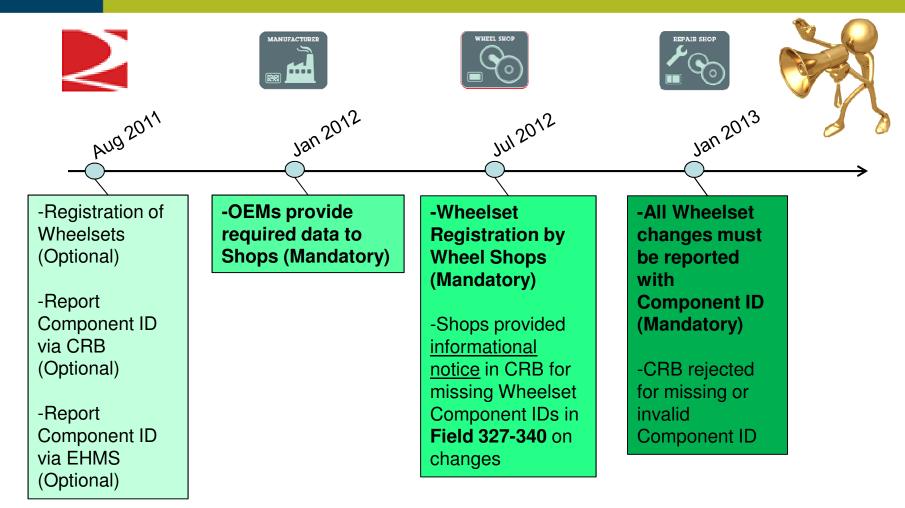
File Number: CRB-1499

IMPORTANT NOTE: It is critical that this information be distributed to all Car Repair Billing and IT personnel with your company that work with or are responsible for Car Repair Invoices submitted to and/or received from Railinc's Data Exchange.

Please refer to previous industry efforts to launch the on-going Paperless/Electronic Billing initiative referred to in the most recent Circular Letters:

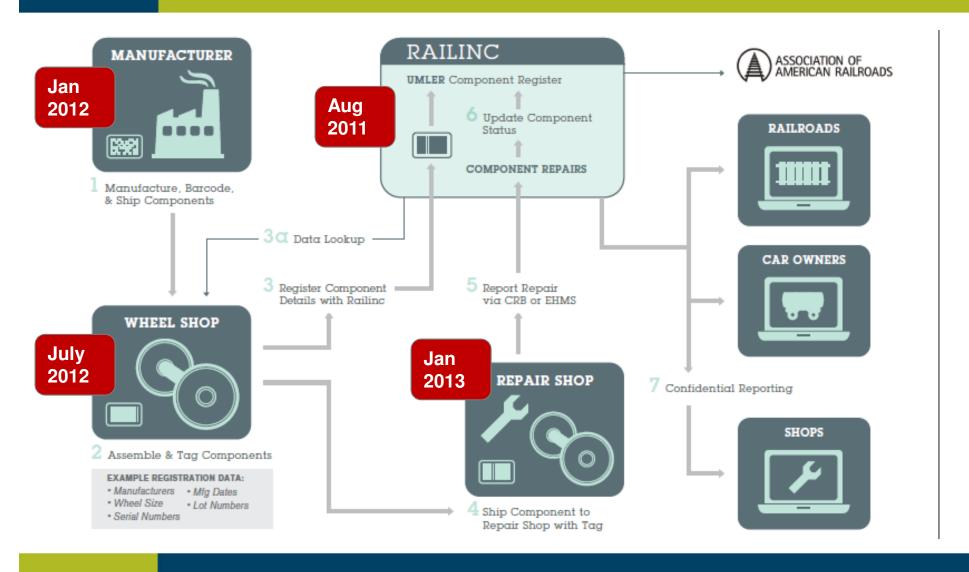


## **CEPM Industry Timeline**





### **CEPM-Wheelsets Process Flow**





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- > Repair Shops
- CEPM Status and Next Steps



### CEPM-Wheelsets Progress to-date

- Major capabilities for CEPM registration and tracking are already in place (Umler, EHMS, CRB)
- Railinc.com/CEPM website launched in June to provide central place for communications
- June Circular formally introduced CEPM to the industry
- July 12<sup>th</sup> AAR/CEPM Town Hall in Chicago to discuss CEPM with wide audience of stakeholders
- Broad communication effort to educate committees regarding CEPM program objectives and timelines
- August launch of initial Umler Component Registry capabilities to facilitate communication and planning for CEPM
- Circular letter requesting feedback and comment to WABL by Oct 15<sup>th</sup> Bar Code and Data Glossary.
- AAR/CEPM Town Hall #2 tentatively set for November (circular will be forthcoming)



### **Tentative Rules Timeline**

### January 2012

- MSRP F -Data definition of Wheelset attributes
- MSRP G, GII,H, HII OEM/Reconditioner Attributes to be supplied to Wheelshops via 2D Barcode

### **July 2012**

 MSRP GII – Wheelset component attributes must be captured at wheelshop and Registered at Railinc prior to Shipment with 1D Barcode

### January 2013

- FM/OM Wheelsets applied to any car must have the industry standard component identifier associated with the car and position reported to Railinc
- FM/OM All wheelset changes must be reported to Railinc



### **CEPM Roadmap**

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2012 – Wheelsets (Freight Cars)
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2013 - Castings - Sideframes, Bolsters, Couplers

2014 and Beyond

Brake Systems

Locomotive – Engines, Locomotive Wheelsets, Turbochargers, Traction motors

Tank Car – Valves, Appliances

Intermodal Components – Hitch, Auxiliary Power

Tracing - PTC Devices, GPS

Passenger Car Wheelsets



### **CEPM Roadmap**

### Mileage

Railinc is currently tracking equipment and component mileage to provide better performance analysis on wheelsets for equipment owners and manufacturers

### **Car Health Reporting**

Railinc will provide easier visibility to equipment owners and manufacturers by consolidating equipment and fleet information and analytics to assist with identification of performance issues



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Railinc Corporation | CEPM Project - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by Railinc





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- CEPM Capabilities
- CEPM Training
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Damage Prevention and Loading Services

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### **CEPM Program Overview**

The Comprehensive Equipment Performance Monitoring (CEPM) program is a multi-phase, multi-year initiative to create a rail industry process and related technology tools for capturing data around railcar equipment components. CEPM will help railroads, rail equipment owners, repair and wheel shops, and other industry participants have a complete view of rail equipment health and performance. This will enable managers to make decisions that improve rail safety, lower the cost associated with equipment maintenance, and run more efficient and effective rail operations.

The program's first phase—CEPM-Wheelsets—centralizes the registration of wheelset component details and identifies the application of wheelset components, including AAR and non-AAR repairs. The component-level data created through the CEPM program will be available through Railing's Limier™

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Manager

ATSI Committee – Mike Fore – AAR Committee Manager

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