Early Warning Enforcement

AAR Interchange Rule 125

critical safety condition

group of cars or

particular component

First MA – 12 months,

Then EW – 90 days,

Then PUMPKIN - Cannot Interchange
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Growing numbers of cars on EW or MA Advisories in January 2011

EW = 71,812
MA = 18,931
TOTAL = 90,742
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Action Taken

Developed phased approach
Reviewed and vetted
   With EEC, ARB, TSWC
Endorsed by all members
Announced July 14, 2011 (CL-11479)
Reminder January 6, 2012 (CL-11586)
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Schedule – Maintenance Advisories

• On January 1, 2012, all Maintenance Advisories issued from 1996 through 2005 were elevated to Early Warning status.
  • After 90 days any cars remaining became prohibited in interchange.
• On April 1, 2012, all Maintenance Advisories issued from 2006 through 2008 were elevated to Early Warning status.
  • After 90 days any cars remaining became prohibited in interchange.
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Schedule – Maintenance Advisories

• On June 1, 2012, all Maintenance Advisories issued in 2009 were elevated to Early Warning status.
  • After 90 days any cars remaining became prohibited in interchange.
• On October 1, 2012, all Maintenance Advisories issued in 2010 will be elevated to Early Warning status.
  • After 90 days any cars remaining will become prohibited in interchange.
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Schedule – Maintenance Advisories

- All Maintenance Advisories issued in 2011 will be elevated to Early Warning status 12 months following their original issue dates.

- After 90 days any cars remaining will become prohibited in interchange.
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Schedule – Early Warnings

• On January 1, 2012, all Early Warnings with “Stop Car” codes had 90 days to complete the actions required in the subject advisories.

• On April 1, 2012, all other Early Warnings were given 90 days to complete the actions required in the subject advisories.

• After 90 days any cars remaining became prohibited in interchange.
Excluded For Now

MA-63 – Cars Overdue for Periodic Air Brake Testing

EW-5171 – Cars Overdue for Periodic Air Brake Testing
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The Good News

Since January 1 – Steady Decrease Phases

Phase 1 Cars

Jan 1 = 1967
Feb 5 = 1590
March 18 = 1386
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Cars prohibited in Interchange
(April 27, 2012 tally)

- **April 1 Deadline**
  22 Early Warnings
  999 Cars Outstanding

- **July 1 Deadline**
  • 32 Additional Early Warnings
  3304 Additional Cars Outstanding
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September 1 Status

• Cars in EW or MA Status
  July 14, 2011 = 27,283
  not including SCT
  • September 1, 2012 = 5,404
  1415 XX Status
  3,989 Active Status
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For 3,989 Cars in Active Status

- Through 2012
  - 2,407 would change to XX
- Through 2013
  - 1,582 would change to XX
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The Next Initiative
Cars Overdue for Air Brake Testing