



Date: June 7, 2018

To: All Private Rail Car Owners

From: Randal Barrows – Manager Charter & Special Movements

Subject: Revision of the Private Rail Car Inspection Process

Effective June 11, 2018 the procedure for scheduling Annual (PC1), 40 Year (PC2), and 10 Year Follow-up (PC2A) Inspections will now be managed by Amtrak's Consolidated National Operations Center (CNOOC).

Amtrak's own Mechanical Maintenance Facilities will no longer be available to perform these periodic inspections.

Private Cars Car Owner's will now be responsible for scheduling their own inspections using the list of Approved Contract Inspectors provided by Amtrak, see [page 3](#) and available link on the Amtrak's Privately-Owned Rail Cars page - <https://www.amtrak.com/privately-owned-rail-cars>. Only the Inspectors on this list can be used as they have been trained and certified by Amtrak as Qualified Maintenance Persons (QMP).

Amtrak's policy of not allowing the same Inspector to perform more than two consecutive annual inspections will continue. Amtrak's personal at CNOOC will monitor this through reviews of submitted paperwork to ensure compliance. Once an inspection has been completed, all the required documentation must be emailed to the CNOOC Mechanical Desk at following addresses:

- To: [Cnocmechanicaldesk@amtrak.com](mailto:Cnocmechanicaldesk@amtrak.com)
- CC: [DuttonF@amtrak.com](mailto:DuttonF@amtrak.com)

The CNOOC Mechanical Desk is staffed 7 days a week/24 hour a day and Private Car Mechanical program is overseen by Fred Dutton, Supervisor Asset Management. The on duty Mechanical Foremen can be reached at (302) 683-2082 if you need to speak to someone directly.

The Mechanical Desk will close all required internal Amtrak Work Orders using the inspection documentation that you submit to them. The Mechanical Desk will also be the initial contact for addressing any vehicle engineering issues that require clarification or any decision to be made upon.

Randal Barrows, Manager Charter & Special Movements, and his Private Car Operations Staff will continue to be your contact for the scheduling of upcoming trips and will oversee trips that are in progress. They will be also monitoring due dates of periodic inspections and any open Incident Work Orders generated from defects recorded from previous Amtrak Private Car Journeys to make sure that all upcoming trips are run with mechanically compliant equipment.

In accordance with the Guidelines for Private Cars on Amtrak, Dated April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018, as may be amended, maintenance performed by Amtrak on Private Cars is limited to FRA-required repairs of safety appliances, with such maintenance performed only as necessary on Private Cars in the consist of an Amtrak train during an approved Private Car journey. If a Private Car customer does require an FRA required repair to a safety appliance that can be repaired at the destination terminal on an approved Amtrak trip, the private car customer is to contact the CNOC Charter & Special Movements Desk for authorization.

- 1-800-424-0217 and choose option “9” from the main menu
- Press "1" for Private Car Manager
- For mechanical emergencies, press "7" and you will be transferred to an open line (available 24/7).

Amtrak will continue to provide Wheel Truing and Wheelset Replacement services utilizing current AAR rates.

- Work performed is dependent on the availability of facilities, equipment, and resources. This work shall not impede service or any other maintenance on Amtrak owned equipment.

Inspections and associated repairs are authorized on Amtrak property by Approved Contract Inspectors only for equipment that has a Monthly, Short Term or Long-Term Parking agreement at locations eligible for Private Car moves. Amtrak Supervisors will provide Blue Flag Protections and make available Pit Inspections, Jacking Pad and Overhead Fall Protection areas as necessary, dependent on the availability of facilities, equipment, and resources and shall not impede service or any other maintenance on Amtrak owned equipment.

The private car customer is to contact the CNOC Charter & Special Movements Desk for authorization prior to any inspection or wheel work performed.

- 1-800-424-0217 and choose option “9” from the main menu
- Press "1" for Private Car Manager (ATS: 734-2297)

In closing Lee Trombecky, Senior Manager Quality & Compliance, and Rich Brodecki, Senior Business Systems Analyst, have been assigned other duties and will no longer be involved in the Private Car business.

Thanking you in advance for your time and cooperation,

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<b>Private Car Authorized Qualified Maintenance Person (QMP) Inspectors List</b>						
<b>Division</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Amtrak or Contractor</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Home Phone Number</b>	<b>Cell Phone</b>	<b>Email Address</b>
<b>MID</b>	George Payne	Contractor	Linthicum, MD		443-994-7212	<a href="mailto:gfp420@aol.com">gfp420@aol.com</a>
	Dan A. Pluta	Contractor	Cumberland, MD		301-707-4402	<a href="mailto:dapluta@outlook.com">dapluta@outlook.com</a>
<b>PAC/SWD</b>	Jon S. Clark	Contractor	Cerritos, CA		323-497-1830	<a href="mailto:domeliner@hotmail.com">domeliner@hotmail.com</a>
	Patrick J. Egan	Contractor	Buena Park, CA		714-469-4228	<a href="mailto:pat.egan1405@sbcglobal.net">pat.egan1405@sbcglobal.net</a>
	Bryan Reese	Contractor	Pasadena, CA		626-488-0590	<a href="mailto:A241blr63@earthlink.net">A241blr63@earthlink.net</a>
<b>CEN</b>	B.A. (Brad) Black	Contractor	New Berlin, WI	714-345-0065	262-617-5440	<a href="mailto:SilverPeakRail@aol.com">SilverPeakRail@aol.com</a>
	Daniel J. Dewes	Contractor	Richmond Heights, MO	(314) 647-1430	314-578-0505	<a href="mailto:ddewes@aol.com">ddewes@aol.com</a>
	Mark W. Magers	Contractor	Bellevue, OH	419-483-0729	419-217-1079	<a href="mailto:seaislandpass@aol.com">seaislandpass@aol.com</a>
	G. Robert Mangels, Jr	Contractor	New Brighton, MN		612-801-8946	<a href="mailto:mangelsmn@yahoo.com">mangelsmn@yahoo.com</a>
	James Lewis Jr.	Contractor	Chicago, IL		773-551-0677	<a href="mailto:LewisJAmtrak@Gmail.com">LewisJAmtrak@Gmail.com</a>
	Thomas Kelly	Contractor	Chicago during Summer Months Florida during Winter Months		708-362-8103	<a href="mailto:CFUNNel@hotmail.com">CFUNNel@hotmail.com</a>
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