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Circular Letter

Subject: Implementation: Revision to AAR MSRP Section E, BRAKES AND BRAKE EQUIPMENT, S-475 Hand Brakes

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The Brake Systems Committee in cooperation with the BSC's Geared Handbrake Manufacturers Engineering Committee has implemented a new revision to S-475. The objective of this revision is to provide additional requirements for facilities that recondition geared handbrakes. An annual M-1003 quality assurance certification is now required for all facilities rebuilding handbrakes. This requirement is detailed in the attached pages from S-475 APPENDIX A-CERTIFICATION OF GEARED HAND BRAKE RECLAMATION FACILITIES.

This standard is now implemented effective immediately and will be incorporated in the next issue of MSRP Section E, Brakes and Brake Equipment. In the interim, please insert this circular with the attached file in your current copy of Section E and be governed accordingly.

Questions should be directed to Steven Belpert via email at Steven_Belpert@aar.com.

NOTE FOR INTERNET SUBSCRIBERS: The revised rule is attached as a .PDF file, which can be viewed by use of Adobe Acrobat Reader.

Sincerely,

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