No.2018/M(N)/951/5

New Delhi, dated: 22.06.2020

The Principal Chief Mechanical Engineer
Northern Railway
New Delhi

Sub: Maintenance of CTO’s container wagons.

Ref: (i) M/s. Hind Terminals Pvt. Ltd.’s (HTML) letter No. HTPL/NR/2020/04
Dated 12.03.2020.

M/s. HTML vide their letter u/r has stated that they are facing problems in the
maintenance of their container wagons at Palwal/sonepat/Patli/Kanech/Sahnewal as the firm has
been informed that they will have to pay the cost of automatic twist locks (ALTs) in case they are
found deficient from the wagon. Further, it has also been stated by the firm that penalty are trying
to be imposed on them and all this causes undue delay in the maintenance of their rakes.

The matter has been examined in the Board’s office and following has been observed:

a. The issue of Railway asking for additional cost beyond maintenance charges paid by the
CTO is highly improper, if actually true.

b. The matter raised may be examined in detail, not only for M/s. HTML but also for all
CTOs whose rakes are being maintained at various locations on NR.

c. The AAC of ATLs and its overhauling kits should be reviewed and increased suitably to
meet all repair and replacement requirements.

d. There is no justification, whatsoever for asking the operators to ask for cost of spares
over and above the maintenance charges paid by the operator.

e. The operation of WMDA and particularly utilization of the funds available therein for
purchase of spares required like ATLs, ATL repair kit, NML snubber and other spares
needs to be ensured on Railway.

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