

Government of India (भारत सरकार)

Ministry of Railways (रेल मंत्रालय)

(Railway Board)(रेलवे बोर्ड)

No.TC-I/2014/201/14

New Delhi, dated 21.07.2015

Chief Freight Transportation Manager  
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Kolkata.

**Sub: Free time for loading/unloading of various types of block rake in the case of freight terminals/sidings/goods sheds/steel plants on Engine-on-load (EOL)**

Ref: (i) SER's letter No. MG 58/305/Pt.16 dt.23.06.2015  
(ii) Rates Circular No.23 of 2012  
(iii) Rates Circular No.18 of 2015

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Please refer to SER's letter under reference seeking a clarification regarding admissibility of allowances like Debit/Credit hours in addition to free time in case of traffic handled at a steel plant working on EOL basis.

It is to state that relevant guidelines regarding permissible free time for different types of stock in case of EOL terminals (including steel plant) are prescribed vide Rates Circulars under reference(*copies enclosed*). As per extant guidelines, there is no provision for debit/credit system in the case of terminals working on EOL basis.

DA: as above

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