



# THE BELT RAILWAY COMPANY OF CHICAGO

## MECHANICAL NOTICE

### #2019-001

Effective 0001, Friday, January 11, 2019

**To: ALL CONCERNED**

**Subject: Clearing Yard Wheel Wear Initiative**

Locomotives in yard and hump service may experience extreme amounts of wheel wear based on tonnage handled in this type of service.

This wear, if not evenly distributed, can result in major added maintenance expense, and can require premature replacement of wheels.

To counter this, rotating the direction of locomotives in yard service on a quarterly basis helps to reduce uneven wear, and lengthen the life of locomotive wheels.

This may result in the need to operate power in specific directions, as directed by the Diesel Shop Foreman.

**Crew Requirements:**

When pulling power from the locomotive shop, ensure the power is delivered to its next location facing in the direction specified by the Diesel Shop Foreman.

When handling yard power, do not wye power unless directed by the Diesel Shop Foreman.

**Yardmaster Requirements:**

When required, provide the direction of power to the Diesel Shop Foreman upon request.

When necessary to wye power for operational reasons, notify the Diesel Shop Foreman.

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Mechanical Notices in Effect:

Year of Issuance	Numbers
2017	003, 004
2018	001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 007, 008, 009, 010, 011, 013, 014, 015, 016, 017, 018, 019
2019	001