

negligence standard of conduct, i.e., a standard of reasonable care under the circumstances. FRA's conclusion about the proper interpretation of the word "knowingly" stems from both normal canons of statutory construction and analysis of decisional law concerning the use of similar statutory constructs in the civil penalty context. It is also consistent with other Departmental interpretations of the word as used in similar contexts. (See 49 CFR 107.299, defining "knowingly" under the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 App. U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*)

Under that statutory language, the responsible members of the crew could be culpable if either (1) due to their failure to exercise reasonable care, they failed to determine that the safety device was not functioning, or (2) having ascertained that the device was not functioning, still elected to operate the train. Similarly, railroad supervisors who permit or direct that a train with a disabled device be operated after having learned that the safety device is not functioning or after having failed to use reasonable care in the performance of their duties could also be subject to sanction.

However, as a matter of enforcement policy, application of a negligence standard in this particular context presently appears unwarranted. We have seen no evidence of an employee's negligent failure to detect another employee's tampering having caused a safety problem. FRA can effectively attack the known dimensions of the tampering problem by employing an enforcement policy that limits its enforcement actions to situations where individuals clearly had actual knowledge of the disabled device and intentionally operated the train notwithstanding that knowledge.

Therefore, FRA will not take enforcement action against an individual under §218.57 absent a showing of such actual knowledge of the facts. Actual, subjective knowledge need not be demonstrated. It will suffice to show objectively that the alleged violator must have known the facts based on reasonable inferences drawn from the circumstances. For example, it is reasonable to infer that a person knows about something plainly in sight on the locomotive he is operating. Also, unlike the case where willfulness must be shown (see FRA's statement of policy at 49 CFR part 209, appendix A), knowledge of or reckless disregard for the law need not be shown to make out a violation of §218.57. The knowledge relevant here is knowledge of the facts constituting the violation, not knowledge of the law.

Should FRA receive evidence indicating that a stricter enforcement policy is necessary to address the tampering problem, it will revise its enforcement policy to permit enforcement actions based only on a showing of the subsequent operator's negligent fail-

ure to detect the tampering, as the relevant provision of the RSIA permits it to do now. Any such change in enforcement policy will become effective only after publication of a revised version of this appendix.

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Subpart A—General

§ 219.1 Purpose and scope.

(a) The purpose of this part is to prevent accidents and casualties in railroad operations that result from impairment of employees by alcohol or drugs.

(b) This part prescribes minimum Federal safety standards for control of alcohol and drug use. This part does not restrict a railroad from adopting and enforcing additional or more stringent requirements not inconsistent with this part.

§ 219.3 Application.

(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c), this part applies to—

(1) Railroads that operate rolling equipment on standard gage track which is part of the general railroad system of transportation; and

(2) Railroads that provide commuter or other short-haul rail passenger service in a metropolitan or suburban area (as described by section 202(e) of the Federal Railroad Safety Act of 1970, as amended).

(b)(1) This part does not apply to a railroad that operates only on track inside an installation which is not part of the general railroad system of transportation.

(2) Subparts D, E, F and G do not apply to a railroad that employs not more than 15 employees covered by the Hours of Service Act (45 U.S.C. 61–64b)

and that does not operate on tracks of another railroad (or otherwise engage in joint operations with another railroad) except as necessary for purposes of interchange.

(3) Subpart I does not apply to a railroad that has fewer than 400,000 total manhours.

(c) Subparts E, F and G do not apply to operations of a foreign railroad conducted by covered service employees whose primary place of service (“home terminal”) for rail transportation services is located outside the United States. Such operations and employees are subject to subparts A, B, C, and D when operating in United States territory.

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§ 219.5 Definitions.

As used in this part—

Alcohol means the intoxicating agent in beverage alcohol, ethanol or other low molecular weight alcohols including methyl or isopropyl alcohol.

Alcohol concentration (or content) means the alcohol in a volume of breath expressed in terms of grams of alcohol per 210 liters of breath (as indicated by a breath test under this part) or grams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of whole blood.

Alcohol use means the consumption of any beverage, mixture or preparation, including any medication, containing alcohol.

Class I, “Class II,” and “Class III” have the meaning assigned by regulations of the Interstate Commerce Commission (49 CFR Part 1201; General Instructions 1-1), as those regulations may be revised and applied by order of the Commission (including modifications in class thresholds based revenue deflator adjustments).

Confirmation test means a second test, following a screening test with a result of .02 or greater, that provides quantitative data of alcohol concentration.

Consortium means an entity, including a group or association of employers or contractors, that provides alcohol testing as required by this part or other DOT alcohol testing regulation and that acts on behalf of the employers.

Controlled substance has the meaning assigned by 21 U.S.C. 802 and includes all substances listed on Schedules I through V as they may be revised from time to time (21 CFR parts 1301-1316).

Covered employee means a person who has been assigned to perform service subject to the Hours of Service Act (45 U.S.C. 61-64b) during a duty tour, whether or not the person has performed or is currently performing such service, and any person who performs such service. (An employee is not “covered” within the meaning of this part exclusively by reason of being an employee for purposes of section 2(a)(3) of the Hours of Service Act, as amended (45 U.S.C. 62(a)(3)).) For the purposes of pre-employment testing only, the term covered employee includes a person applying to perform covered service.

Co-worker means another employee of the railroad, including a working supervisor directly associated with a yard or train crew, such as a conductor or yard foreman, but not including any other railroad supervisor, special agent or officer.

DOT Agency means an agency (or “operating administration”) of the United States Department of Transportation administering regulations requiring alcohol or controlled substance testing (14 CFR parts 61, 63, 65, 121 and 135; 49 CFR parts 199, 219, 382 and 654) in accordance with part 40 of this title.

Drug means any substance (other than alcohol) that has known mind or function-altering effects on a human subject, specifically including any psychoactive substance and including, but not limited to, controlled substances.

FRA means the Federal Railroad Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

FRA representative means the Associate Administrator for Safety, FRA, the Associate Administrator’s delegate (including a qualified State inspector acting under part 212 of this chapter), the Chief Counsel, FRA, or the Chief Counsel’s delegate.

Hazardous material means a commodity designated as a hazardous material by part 172 of this title.

Impact accident means a train accident (*i.e.*, a rail equipment accident involving damage in excess of the current

reporting threshold, \$6,300 for calendar years 1991 through 1996, \$6,500 for calendar year 1997, and \$6,600 for calendar years 1998 through 1999) consisting of a head-on collision, a rear-end collision, a side collision (including a collision at a railroad crossing at grade), a switching collision, or impact with a deliberately-placed obstruction such as a bumping post. The following are not impact accidents:

- (1) An accident in which the derailment of equipment causes an impact with other rail equipment;
- (2) Impact of rail equipment with obstructions such as fallen trees, rock or snow slides, livestock, etc.; and
- (3) Raking collisions caused by derailment of rolling stock or operation of equipment in violation of clearance limitations.

Independent with respect to a medical facility, means not under the ownership or control of the railroad and not operated or staffed by a salaried officer or employee of the railroad. The fact that the railroad pays for services rendered by a medical facility or laboratory, selects that entity for performing tests under this part, or has a standing contractual relationship with that entity to perform tests under this part or perform other medical examinations or tests of railroad employees does not, by itself, remove the facility from this definition.

Medical facility means a hospital, clinic, physician's office, or laboratory where toxicological samples can be collected according to recognized professional standards.

Medical practitioner means a physician or dentist licensed or otherwise authorized to practice by the state.

Medical Review Officer or *MRO* refers to a licensed physician designated by the railroad who is responsible for receiving laboratory results generated by the railroad's drug testing program (including testing mandated or authorized by this part), who has knowledge of substance abuse disorders, and who has appropriate medical training to interpret and evaluate an individual's positive test result (as reported by the laboratory) together with his or her medical history and any other relevant biomedical information.

NTSB means the National Transportation Safety Board.

Passenger train means a train transporting persons (other than employees, contractors or persons riding equipment to observe or monitor railroad operations) in intercity passenger service, commuter or other short-haul service, or for excursion or recreational purposes.

Positive rate means the number of positive results for random drug tests conducted under this part plus the number of refusals of random tests required by this part, divided by the total number of random drug tests conducted under this part plus the number of refusals of random tests required by this part.

Possess means to have on one's person or in one's personal effects or under one's control. However, the concept of possession as used in this part does not include control by virtue of presence in the employee's personal residence or other similar location off of railroad property.

Railroad means all forms of non-highway ground transportation that run on rails or electro-magnetic guideways, including:

(1) Commuter or other short-haul rail passenger service in a metropolitan or suburban area, as well as any commuter rail service which was operated by Consolidated Rail Corporation as of January 1, 1979, and

(2) High speed ground transportation systems that connect metropolitan areas, without regard to whether they use new technologies not associated with traditional railroads.

Such term does not include rapid transit operations within an urban area that are not connected to the general railroad system of transportation.

Railroad property damage or *damage to railroad property* refers to damage to railroad property, including railroad on-track equipment, signals, track, track structures (including bridges and tunnels), or roadbed, including labor costs and all other costs for repair or replacement in kind. Estimated cost for replacement of railroad property shall be calculated as described in the FRA Guide for Preparing Accident/Incident Reports. (See 49 CFR 225.21.) However, replacement of passenger

equipment shall be calculated based on the cost of acquiring a new unit for comparable service.

Refuse to submit means that a covered employee fails to provide a urine sample as required by 49 CFR part 40, without a genuine inability to provide a specimen (as determined by a medical evaluation), after he or she has received notice of the requirement to be tested in accordance with the provisions of this part, or engages in conduct that clearly obstructs the testing process.

Refuse to submit (to an alcohol test) means that a covered employee fails to provide adequate breath for testing without a valid medical explanation after he or she has received notice of the requirement to be tested in accordance with the provisions of this part, or engages in conduct that clearly obstructs the testing process.

Reportable injury means an injury reportable under part 225 of this title.

Reporting threshold means the amount specified in § 225.19(e) of this chapter, as adjusted from time to time in accordance with appendix B to part 225 of this chapter. The reporting threshold for calendar years 1991 through 1996 is \$6,300. The reporting threshold for calendar year 1997 is \$6,500. The reporting threshold for calendar years 1998 through 1999 is \$6,600.

Screening test means an analytical procedure to determine whether a covered employee may have a prohibited concentration of alcohol in his or her system.

Supervisory employee means an officer, special agent, or other employee of the railroad who is not a co-worker and who is responsible for supervising or monitoring the conduct or performance of one or more employees.

Train, except as context requires, means a locomotive, or more than one locomotive coupled, with or without cars. (A locomotive is a self-propelled unit of equipment which can be used in train service.)

Train accident means a passenger, freight, or work train accident described in § 225.19(c) of this chapter (a "rail equipment accident" involving damage in excess of the current reporting threshold, \$6,300 for calendar years 1991 through 1996, \$6,500 for calendar

year 1997, and \$6,600 for calendar years 1998 through 1999), including an accident involving a switching movement.

Train incident means an event involving the movement of railroad on-track equipment that results in a casualty but in which railroad property damage does not exceed the reporting threshold.

Violation rate means the number of covered employees (as reported under § 219.801 of this part) found during random tests given under this part to have an alcohol concentration of .04 or greater, plus the number of employees who refuse a random test required by this part, divided by the total reported number of employees in the industry given random alcohol tests under this part plus the total reported number of employees in the industry who refuse a random test required by this part.

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§ 219.7 Waivers.

(a) A person subject to a requirement of this part may petition the Federal Railroad Administration for a waiver of compliance with such requirement.

(b) Each petition for waiver under this section must be filed in a manner and contain the information required by part 211 of this chapter.

(c) If the Administrator finds that waiver of compliance is in the public interest and is consistent with railroad safety, the Administrator may grant the waiver subject to any necessary conditions.

§ 219.9 Responsibility for compliance.

(a) Any person (an entity of any type covered under 1 U.S.C. 1, including but not limited to the following: a railroad; a manager, supervisor, official, or other employee or agent of a railroad; any owner, manufacturer, lessor, or lessee of railroad equipment, track, or facilities; any independent contractor providing goods or services to a railroad; and any employee of such owner, manufacturer, lessor, lessee, or independent contractor) who violates any requirement of this part or causes the

violation of any such requirement is subject to a civil penalty of at least \$500 and not more than \$11,000 per violation, except that: Penalties may be assessed against individuals only for willful violations; where a grossly negligent violation or a pattern of repeated violations has created an imminent hazard of death or injury, or has caused death or injury, a penalty not to exceed \$22,000 per violation may be assessed; and the standard of liability for a railroad will vary depending upon the requirement involved. *See, e.g.,* § 219.105, which shall be construed to qualify the responsibility of a railroad for the unauthorized conduct of an employee that violates § 219.101 or § 219.102 (while imposing a duty of due diligence to prevent such conduct). Each day a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense. See appendix A to this part for a statement of agency civil penalty policy.

(b)(1) In the case of joint operations, primary responsibility for compliance with this part with respect to determination of events qualifying for breath or body fluid testing under subparts C and D of this part shall rest with the host railroad, and all affected employees shall be responsive to direction from the host railroad consistent with this part. However, nothing in this paragraph shall restrict the ability of the railroads to provide for an appropriate assignment of responsibility for compliance with this part as among those railroads through a joint operating agreement or other binding contract. FRA reserves the right to bring an enforcement action for noncompliance with applicable portions of this part against the host railroad, the employing railroad, or both.

(2) Where an employee of one railroad is required to participate in breath or body fluid testing under subpart C or D and is subsequently subject to adverse action alleged to have arisen out of the required test (or alleged refusal thereof), necessary witnesses and documents available to the other railroad shall be made available to the employee on a reasonable basis.

(c) Any independent contractor or other entity that performs covered service for a railroad has the same responsibilities as a railroad under this

part, with respect to its employees who perform covered service. The entity's responsibility for compliance with this part may be fulfilled either directly by that entity or by the railroad's treating the entity's employees who perform covered service as if they were its own employees for purposes of this part. The responsibility for compliance must be clearly spelled out in the contract between the railroad and the other entity or in another document. In the absence of such a clear delineation of responsibility, FRA will hold the railroad and the other entity jointly and severally liable for compliance.

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§ 219.11 General conditions for chemical tests.

(a) Any employee who performs covered service for a railroad shall be deemed to have consented to testing as required in subparts B, C, D, and G of this part; and consent is implied by performance of such service.

(b)(1) Each such employee shall participate in such testing, as required under the conditions set forth in this part by a representative of the railroad.

(2) In any case where an employee has sustained a personal injury and is subject to alcohol or drug testing under this part, necessary medical treatment shall be accorded priority over provision of the breath or body fluid sample(s). No employee who is unable to urinate normally (based on the judgment of a medical professional that catheterization would be required) as a result of a personal injury, resulting medical treatment, or renal failure shall be required to provide a urine sample. Nothing in this section shall bar use of a urine sample made available as a result of catheterization undertaken for medical purposes, provided the circumstances of such collection are fully documented and the specimen is otherwise handled in accordance with the applicable requirements of this title.

(3) Failure to remain available following an accident or casualty as required by company rules (i.e., being absent without leave) shall be considered

a refusal to participate in testing, without regard to any subsequent provision of samples.

(4) Tampering with a sample in order to prevent a valid test (e.g., through substitution, dilution or adulteration) constitutes a refusal to provide a sample.

(c) A covered employee who is required to be tested under subpart C or D and who is taken to a medical facility for observation or treatment after an accident or incident shall be deemed to have consented to the release to FRA of the following:

(1) The remaining portion of any body fluid sample taken by the treating facility within 12 hours of the accident or incident that is not required for medical purposes, together with any normal medical facility record(s) pertaining to the taking of such sample;

(2) The results of any laboratory tests for alcohol or any drug conducted by or for the treating facility on such sample; and

(3) The identity, dosage, and time of administration of any drugs administered by the treating facility prior to the time samples were taken by the treating facility or prior to the time samples were taken in compliance with this part.

(4) The results of any breath tests for alcohol conducted by or for the treating facility.

(d) An employee required to participate in body fluid testing under subpart C (post-accident toxicological testing) or testing subject to subpart H shall, if requested by the representative of the railroad or the medical facility (including under subpart H of this part, a non-medical contract collector), evidence consent to taking of samples, their release for toxicological analysis under pertinent provisions of this part, and release of the test results to the railroad's Medical Review Officer by promptly executing a consent form, if required by the medical facility. The employee is not required to execute any document or clause waiving rights that the employee would otherwise have against the employer, and any such waiver is void. The employee may not be required to waive liability with respect to neg-

ligence on the part of any person participating in the collection, handling or analysis of the specimen or to indemnify any person for the negligence of others. Any consent provided consistent with this section shall be construed to extend only to those actions specified herein.

(e) Nothing in this part shall be construed to authorize the use of physical coercion or any other deprivation of liberty in order to compel breath or body fluid testing.

(f) Any railroad employee who performs service for a railroad shall be deemed to have consented to removal of body fluid and/or tissue samples necessary for toxicological analysis from the remains of such employee, if such employee dies within 12 hours of an accident or incident described in subpart C as a result of such event. This consent is specifically required of employees not in covered service, as well as employees in covered service.

(g) Each supervisor responsible for covered employees (except a working supervisor within the definition of co-worker under this part) shall be trained in the signs and symptoms of alcohol and drug influence, intoxication and misuse consistent with a program of instruction to be made available for inspection upon demand by FRA. Such a program shall, at a minimum provide information concerning the acute behavioral and apparent physiological effects of alcohol and the major drug groups on the controlled substances list. The program shall also provide training on the qualifying criteria for post-accident testing contained in subpart C of this part, and the role of the supervisor in post-accident collections described in subpart C and appendix C of this part. The duration of such training shall be not less than 3 hours.

(h) Nothing in this subpart restricts any discretion available to the railroad to request or require that an employee cooperate in additional body fluid testing. However, no such testing may be performed on urine or blood samples provided under this part. For purposes of this paragraph, all urine from a void constitutes a single sample.

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§ 219.13 Preemptive effect.

(a) Under section 205 of the Federal Railroad Safety Act of 1970 (45 U.S.C. 434), issuance of these regulations preempts any State law, rule, regulation, order or standard covering the same subject matter, except a provision directed at a local hazard that is consistent with this part and that does not impose an undue burden on interstate commerce.

(b) FRA does not intend by issuance of these regulations to preempt provisions of State criminal law that impose sanctions for reckless conduct that leads to actual loss of life, injury or damage to property, whether such provisions apply specifically to railroad employees or generally to the public at large.

§ 219.15 [Reserved]

§ 219.17 Construction.

Nothing in this part—

(a) Restricts the power of FRA to conduct investigations under section 208 of the Federal Railroad Safety Act of 1970, as amended; or

(b) Creates a private right of action on the part of any person for enforcement of the provisions of this part or for damages resulting from noncompliance with this part.

§ 219.19 [Reserved]

§ 219.21 Information collection.

(a) The information collection requirements of this part have been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) and have been assigned OMB control number 2130–0526.

(b) The information collection requirements are found in the following sections:

- Section 219.7.
- Section 219.23.
- Section 219.104.
- Section 219.201.
- Section 219.203.
- Section 219.205.
- Section 219.207.
- Section 219.209.
- Section 219.211.
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- Section 219.303.
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- Section 219.503.
- Section 219.601.
- Section 219.605.
- Section 219.701.
- Section 219.703.
- Section 219.705.
- Section 219.707.
- Section 219.709.
- Section 219.711.
- Section 219.713.

§ 219.23 Railroad policies.

(a) Whenever a breath or body fluid test is required of an employee under this part, the railroad shall provide clear and unequivocal written notice to the employee that the test is being required under Federal Railroad Administration regulations. Use of the mandated DOT form for urine drug testing or breath analysis satisfies the requirements of this paragraph.

(b) Whenever a breath or body fluid test is required of an employee under this part, the railroad shall provide clear, unequivocal written notice of the basis or bases upon which the test is required (*e.g.*, reasonable suspicion, violation of a specified operating/safety rule enumerated in subpart D of this part, random selection, follow-up, etc.). Completion of the alcohol testing form or urine custody and control form indicating the basis of the test (prior to providing a copy to the employee) satisfies the requirement of this paragraph.

(c) Use of approved forms for mandatory post-accident toxicological testing under subpart C of this part provides the notifications required under this section with respect to such tests. Use of those forms for any other test is prohibited.

(d) Each railroad shall provide educational materials that explain the requirements of this part, and the railroad's policies and procedures with respect to meeting those requirements.

(1) The railroad shall ensure that a copy of these materials is distributed to each covered employee prior to the start of alcohol testing under the railroad's alcohol misuse prevention program and to each person subsequently

hired for or transferred to a covered position.

(2) Each railroad shall provide written notice to representatives of employee organizations of the availability of this information.

(e) *Required content.* The materials to be made available to employees shall include detailed discussion of at least the following:

(1) The identity of the person designated by the railroad to answer employee questions about the materials.

(2) The classes or crafts of employees who are subject to the provisions of this part.

(3) Sufficient information about the safety-sensitive functions performed by those employees to make clear that the period of the work day the covered employee is required to be in compliance with this part is that period when the employee is on duty and is required to perform or is available to perform covered service.

(4) Specific information concerning employee conduct that is prohibited under subpart B of this part.

(5) In the case of a railroad utilizing the accident/incident and rule violation reasonable cause testing authority provided by this part, prior notice (which may be combined with the notice required by §§219.601(d)(1) and 219.607(d)(1)), to covered employees of the circumstances under which they will be subject to testing.

(6) The circumstances under which a covered employee will be tested under this part.

(7) The procedures that will be used to test for the presence of alcohol and controlled substances, protect the employee and the integrity of the testing processes, safeguard the validity of the test results, and ensure that those results are attributed to the correct employee.

(8) The requirement that a covered employee submit to alcohol and drug tests administered in accordance with this part.

(9) An explanation of what constitutes a refusal to submit to an alcohol or drug test and the attendant consequences.

(10) The consequences for covered employees found to have violated subpart B of this part, including the re-

quirement that the employee be removed immediately from covered service, and the procedures under §219.104.

(11) The consequences for covered employees found to have an alcohol concentration of .02 or greater but less than .04.

(12) Information concerning the effects of alcohol misuse on an individual's health, work, and personal life; signs and symptoms of an alcohol problem (the employee's or a coworker's); and available methods of evaluating and resolving problems associated with the misuse of alcohol, including utilization of the procedures set forth in subpart E of this part and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of substance abuse professionals and counseling and treatment programs.

(f) *Optional provisions.* The materials supplied to employees may also include information on additional railroad policies with respect to the use or possession of alcohol and drugs, including any consequences for an employee found to have a specific alcohol concentration, that are based on the railroad's authority independent of this part. Any such additional policies or consequences shall be clearly and obviously described as being based on independent authority.

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Subpart B—Prohibitions

§ 219.101 Alcohol and drug use prohibited.

(a) *Prohibitions.* Except as provided in §219.103—

(1) No employee may use or possess alcohol or any controlled substance while assigned by a railroad to perform covered service;

(2) No employee may report for covered service, or go or remain on duty in covered service while—

(i) Under the influence of or impaired by alcohol;

(ii) Having .04 or more alcohol concentration in the breath or blood; or

(iii) Under the influence of or impaired by any controlled substance.

(3) No employee may use alcohol for whichever is the lesser of the following periods:

(i) Within four hours of reporting for covered service; or

(ii) After receiving notice to report for covered service.

(4) No employee tested under the provisions of this part whose test result indicates an alcohol concentration of .02 or greater but less than .04 shall perform or continue to perform covered service functions for a railroad, nor shall a railroad permit the employee to perform or continue to perform covered service, until the start of the employee's next regularly scheduled duty period, but not less than eight hours following administration of the test.

(5) If an employee tested under the provisions of this part has a test result indicating an alcohol concentration below 0.02, the test shall be considered negative and is not evidence of alcohol misuse. A railroad shall not use a federal test result below 0.02 either as evidence in a company proceeding or as a basis for subsequent testing under company authority. A railroad may take further action to compel cooperation in other breath or body fluid testing only if it has an independent basis for doing so.

(b) *Controlled substance.* "Controlled substance" is defined by §219.5 of this part. Controlled substances are grouped as follows: Marijuana, narcotics (such as heroin and codeine), stimulants (such as cocaine and amphetamines), depressants (such as barbiturates and minor tranquilizers), and hallucinogens (such as the drugs known as PCP and LSD). Controlled substances include illicit drugs (Schedule I), drugs that are required to be distributed only by a medical practitioner's prescription or other authorization (Schedules II through IV, and some drugs on Schedule V), and certain preparations for which distribution is through documented over the counter sales (Schedule V only).

(c) *Railroad rules.* Nothing in this section restricts a railroad from imposing an absolute prohibition on the presence of alcohol or any drug in the body fluids of persons in its employ, whether in furtherance of the purpose of this part or for other purposes.

(d) *Construction.* This section shall not be construed to prohibit the presence of an unopened container of an al-

coholic beverage in a private motor vehicle that is not subject to use in the business of the railroad; nor shall it be construed to restrict a railroad from prohibiting such presence under its own rules.

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§219.102 Prohibition on abuse of controlled substances.

On and after October 2, 1989, no employee who performs covered service may use a controlled substance at any time, whether on duty or off duty, except as permitted by §219.103 of this subpart.

§219.103 Prescribed and over-the-counter drugs.

(a) This subpart does not prohibit the use of a controlled substance (on Schedule II through V of the controlled substance list) prescribed or authorized by a medical practitioner, or possession incident to such use, if—

(1) The treating medical practitioner or a physician designated by the railroad has made a good faith judgment, with notice of the employee's assigned duties and on the basis of the available medical history, that use of the substance by the employee at the prescribed or authorized dosage level is consistent with the safe performance of the employee's duties;

(2) The substance is used at the dosage prescribed or authorized; and

(3) In the event the employee is being treated by more than one medical practitioner, at least one treating medical practitioner has been informed of all medications authorized or prescribed and has determined that use of the medications is consistent with the safe performance of the employee's duties (and the employee has observed any restrictions imposed with respect to use of the medications in combination).

(b) This subpart does not restrict any discretion available to the railroad to require that employees notify the railroad of therapeutic drug use or obtain prior approval for such use.

§ 219.104 Responsive action.

(a) *Removal from covered service.* (1) If the railroad determines that an employee has violated § 219.101 or § 219.102, or the alcohol or controlled substances misuse rule of another DOT agency, the railroad shall immediately remove the employee from covered service and the procedures described in paragraphs (b) through (e) of this section shall apply.

(2) If an employee refuses to provide breath or a body fluid sample or samples when required to by the railroad under a mandatory provision of this part, the railroad shall immediately remove the employee from covered service, and the procedures described in paragraphs (b) through (e) of this section shall apply.

(3)(i) This section does not apply to actions based on breath or body fluid tests for alcohol or drugs that are conducted exclusively under authority other than that provided in this part (e.g., testing under a company medical policy, for-cause testing policy wholly independent of subpart D of this part, or testing under a labor agreement).

(ii) This section and the information requirements listed in § 219.23 do not apply to applicants who refuse to submit to a pre-employment drug test or who have a pre-employment drug test with a result indicating the misuse of controlled substances.

(b) *Notice.* Prior to or upon withdrawing the employee from covered service under this section, the railroad shall provide notice of the reason for this action.

(c) *Hearing procedures.* (1) If the employee denies that the test result is valid evidence of alcohol or drug use prohibited by this subpart, the employee may demand and shall be provided an opportunity for a prompt post-suspension hearing before a presiding officer other than the charging official. This hearing may be consolidated with any disciplinary hearing arising from the same accident or incident (or conduct directly related thereto), but the presiding officer shall make separate findings as to compliance with §§ 219.101 and 219.102 of this part.

(2) The hearing shall be convened within the period specified in the appli-

cable collective bargaining agreement. In the absence of an agreement provision, the employee may demand that the hearing be convened within 10 calendar days of the suspension or, in the case of an employee who is unavailable due to injury, illness, or other sufficient cause, within 10 days of the date the employee becomes available for hearing.

(3) A post-suspension proceeding conforming to the requirements of an applicable collective bargaining agreement, together with the provisions for adjustment of disputes under section 3 of the Railway Labor Act, shall be deemed to satisfy the procedural requirements of this paragraph.

(4) Nothing in this part shall be deemed to abridge any additional procedural rights or remedies not inconsistent with this part that are available to the employee under a collective bargaining agreement, the Railway Labor Act, or (with respect to employment at will) at common law with respect to the removal or other adverse action taken as a consequence of a positive test result in a test authorized or required by this part.

(5) Nothing in this part shall restrict the discretion of the railroad to treat an employee's denial of prohibited alcohol or drug use as a waiver of any privilege the employee would otherwise enjoy to have such prohibited alcohol or drug use treated as a non-disciplinary matter or to have discipline held in abeyance.

(d) *Return to covered service.* An employee who has been determined to have violated § 219.101 or § 219.102 or who refused to cooperate in a breath or body fluid test under this part shall not be returned to covered service unless the employee has—

(1) Been evaluated by a substance abuse professional to determine if the employee is affected by a psychological or physical dependence on alcohol or one or more controlled substances or by another identifiable and treatable mental or physical disorder involving misuse of alcohol or drugs as a primary manifestation;

(2) Been evaluated by a substance abuse professional to determine that the employee has properly followed the prescribed rehabilitation program; and

(3)(i) Presented a urine sample for testing under subpart H of this part that tested negative for controlled substances assayed (in the case of an employee who has been determined to have violated a prohibition of § 219.101 or § 219.102 regarding possession or misuse of controlled substances or who refused to provide a body fluid sample or samples when required to by the railroad under a mandatory provision of this part); or

(ii) Presented breath for testing under subpart H of this part that indicated an alcohol concentration of less than .02. (in the case of an employee who has been determined to have violated a prohibition of § 219.101 regarding possession or misuse of alcohol or who refused to provide breath when required to by the railroad under a mandatory provision of this part).

(4) An employee shall be required to present both a urine sample and breath for testing, as specified in this section and subpart H of this part, if the substance abuse professional determines that such testing is necessary as a condition for returning the particular employee to covered service.

(e) *Follow-up testing.* An employee returned to service under the above-stated conditions shall continue in any program of counseling or treatment deemed necessary by the substance abuse professional and shall be subject to unannounced follow-up tests administered by the railroad following the employee's return to duty. The number and frequency of such follow-up testing shall be determined by a substance abuse professional, but shall consist of at least six tests in the first 12 months following the employee's return to duty. Any such testing shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR part 40. Follow-up testing shall not exceed 60 months from the date of the employee's return to duty. The substance abuse professional may terminate the requirement for follow-up testing at any time after the first six tests have been administered, if the substance abuse professional determines that such testing is no longer necessary.

(1) If the employee has been determined to have violated a prohibition of § 219.101 or § 219.102 regarding possession

or misuse of controlled substances, or if the employee refused to provide a body fluid sample or samples when required to by the railroad under a mandatory provision of this part, the employee shall be subject to follow-up testing as specified in this section. Such testing shall be for controlled substances, but may include testing for alcohol as well, if the substance abuse professional determines that alcohol testing is necessary for the particular employee.

(2) If the employee has been determined to have violated a prohibition of § 219.101 regarding possession or misuse of alcohol, or if the employee refused to provide breath when required to by the railroad under a mandatory provision of this part, the employee shall be subject to follow-up testing as specified in this section. Such testing shall be for alcohol, but may include testing for controlled substances as well, if the substance abuse professional determines that drug testing is necessary for the particular employee.

(f) The railroad shall ensure that a substance abuse professional who determines that a covered employee requires assistance in resolving problems with alcohol or controlled substances misuse does not refer the employee to the substance abuse professional's private practice or to a person or organization from which the substance abuse professional receives remuneration or in which the substance abuse professional has a financial interest. This paragraph does not prohibit a substance abuse professional from referring an employee for assistance provided through—

(1) A public agency, such as a state, county, or municipality;

(2) The railroad or a person under contract to provide treatment for alcohol problems on behalf of the railroad;

(3) The sole source of therapeutically appropriate treatment under the employee's health insurance program; or

(4) The sole source of therapeutically appropriate treatment reasonably accessible to the employee.

(g) Railroad compliance with the provisions of paragraphs (a), (d), and (e) of

this section is mandatory beginning on January 1, 1995.

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§219.105 Railroad's duty to prevent violations.

(a) A railroad may not, with actual knowledge, permit an employee to go or remain on duty in covered service in violation of the prohibitions of §219.101 or §219.102. As used in this section, the knowledge imputed to the railroad shall be limited to that of a railroad management employee (such as a supervisor deemed an "officer," whether or not such person is a corporate officer) or a supervisory employee in the offending employee's chain of command.

(b) A railroad must exercise due diligence to assure compliance with §219.101 and §219.102 by each covered employee.

§219.107 Consequences of unlawful refusal.

(a) An employee who refuses to provide breath or a body fluid sample or samples when required to by the railroad under a mandatory provision of this part shall be deemed disqualified for a period of nine (9) months.

(b) Prior to or upon withdrawing the employee from covered service under this section, the railroad shall provide notice of the reason for this action, and the procedures described in §219.104(c) shall apply.

(c) The disqualification required by this section shall apply with respect to employment in covered service by any railroad with notice of such disqualification.

(d) The requirement of disqualification for nine (9) months does not limit any discretion on the part of the railroad to impose additional sanctions for the same or related conduct.

(e) Upon the expiration of the 9-month period described in this section, a railroad may permit the employee to return to covered service only under the same conditions specified in §219.104(d), and the employee shall be subject to follow-up tests, as provided by that section.

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Subpart C—Post-Accident Toxicological Testing

§219.201 Events for which testing is required.

(a) *List of events.* Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, post-accident toxicological tests shall be conducted after any event that involves one or more of the circumstances described in paragraphs (a) (1) through (4) of this section:

(1) *Major train accident.* Any train accident (*i.e.*, a rail equipment accident involving damage in excess of the current reporting threshold, \$6,300 for calendar years 1991 through 1996, \$6,500 for calendar year 1997, and \$6,600 for calendar years 1998 through 1999) that involves one or more of the following:

(i) A fatality;

(ii) Release of hazardous material lading from railroad equipment accompanied by—

(A) An evacuation; or

(B) A reportable injury resulting from the hazardous material release (*e.g.*, from fire, explosion, inhalation, or skin contact with the material); or

(iii) Damage to railroad property of \$1,000,000 or more.

(2) *Impact accident.* An impact accident (*i.e.*, a rail equipment accident defined as an "impact accident" in §219.5 of this part that involves damage in excess of the current reporting threshold, \$6,300 for calendar years 1991 through 1996, \$6,500 for calendar year 1997, and \$6,600 for calendar years 1998 through 1999) resulting in—

(i) A reportable injury; or

(ii) Damage to railroad property of \$150,000 or more.

(3) *Fatal train incident.* Any train incident that involves a fatality to any on-duty railroad employee.

(4) *Passenger train accident.* Reportable injury to any person in a train accident (*i.e.*, a rail equipment accident involving damage in excess of the current reporting threshold, \$6,300 for calendar years 1991 through 1996, \$6,500 for calendar year 1997, and \$6,600 for calendar years 1998 through 1999) involving a passenger train.

(b) *Exceptions.* No test shall be required in the case of a collision between railroad rolling stock and a

motor vehicle or other highway conveyance at a rail/highway grade crossing. No test shall be required in the case of an accident/incident the cause and severity of which are wholly attributable to a natural cause (e.g., flood, tornado or other natural disaster) or to vandalism or trespasser(s), as determined on the basis of objective and documented facts by the railroad representative responding to the scene.

(c) *Good faith determinations.* (1)(i) The railroad representative responding to the scene of the accident/incident shall determine whether the accident/incident falls within the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section or is within the exception described in paragraph (b) of this section. It is the duty of the railroad representative to make reasonable inquiry into the facts as necessary to make such determinations. In making such inquiry, the railroad representative shall consider the need to obtain samples as soon as practical in order to determine the presence or absence of impairing substances reasonably contemporaneous with the accident/incident. The railroad representative satisfies the requirement of this section if, after making reasonable inquiry, the representative exercises good faith judgment in making the required determinations.

(ii) The railroad representative making the determinations required by this section shall not be a person directly involved in the accident/incident. This section does not prohibit consultation between the responding railroad representative and higher level railroad officials; however, the responding railroad representative shall make the factual determinations required by this section.

(iii) Upon specific request made to the railroad by the Associate Administrator for Safety, FRA (or the Associate Administrator's delegate), the railroad shall provide a report describing any decision by a person other than the responding railroad representative with respect to whether an accident/incident qualifies for testing. This report shall be affirmed by the decision maker and shall be provided to FRA within 72 hours of the request. The report shall include the facts reported by the responding railroad representative, the

basis upon which the testing decision was made, and the person making the decision.

(iv) Any estimates of railroad property damage made by persons not the scene shall be based on descriptions of specific physical damage provided by the on-scene railroad representative.

(v) In the case of an accident involving passenger equipment, a host railroad may rely upon the the damage estimates provided by the passenger railroad (whether present on scene or not) in making the decision whether testing is required, subject to the same requirement that visible physical damage be specifically described.

(2) A railroad shall not require an employee to provide blood or urine specimens under the authority or procedures of this subject unless the railroad has made the determinations required by this section, based upon reasonable inquiry and good faith judgment. A railroad does not act in excess of its authority under this subpart if its representative has made such reasonable inquiry and exercised such good faith judgment, but it is later determined, after investigation, that one or more of the conditions thought to have required testing were not, in fact, present. However, this section does not excuse the railroad for any error arising from a mistake of law (e.g., application of testing criteria other than those contained in these regulations).

(3) A railroad is not in violation of this subpart if its representative has made such reasonable inquiry and exercised such good faith judgment but nevertheless errs in determining that post-accident testing is not required.

(4) An accident/incident with respect to which the railroad has made reasonable inquiry and exercised good faith judgment in determining the facts necessary to apply the criteria contained in paragraph (a) of this section is deemed a qualifying event for purposes of sample analysis, reporting, and other purposes.

(5) In the event samples are collected following an event determined by FRA not to be a qualifying event within the meaning of this paragraph, FRA directs its designated laboratory to destroy any sample material submitted and to refrain from disclosing to any

person the results of any analysis conducted.

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§ 219.203 Responsibilities of railroads and employees.

(a) *Employees tested.* (1)(i) Following each accident and incident described in § 219.201, the railroad (or railroads) shall take all practicable steps to assure that all covered employees of the railroad directly involved in the accident or incident provide blood and urine samples for toxicological testing by FRA. Such employees shall cooperate in the provision of samples as described in this part and appendix C.

(ii) If the conditions for mandatory toxicological testing exist, the railroad may also require employees to provide breath for testing in accordance with the procedures set forth in 49 CFR part 40 and this part, if such testing does not interfere with timely collection of required samples.

(2) Such employees shall specifically include each and every operating employee assigned as a crew member of any train involved in the accident or incident. In any case where an operator, dispatcher, signal maintainer or other covered employee is directly and contemporaneously involved in the circumstances of the accident/incident, those employees shall also be required to provide samples.

(3) An employee shall be excluded from testing under the following circumstances: In any case of an accident/incident for which testing is mandated only under § 219.201(a)(2) of this subpart (an "impact accident"), § 219.201(a)(3) ("fatal train incident"), or § 219.201(a)(4) (a "passenger train accident with injury") if the railroad representative can immediately determine, on the basis of specific information, that the employee had no role in the cause(s) or severity of the accident/incident. The railroad representative shall consider any such information immediately available at the time the qualifying event determination is made under § 219.201 of this subpart.

(4) The following provisions govern accidents/incidents involving non-covered employees:

(i) Surviving non-covered employees are not subject to testing under this subpart.

(ii) Testing of the remains of non-covered employees who are fatally injured in train accidents and incidents is required.

(b) *Timely sample collection.* (1) The railroad shall make every reasonable effort to assure that samples are provided as soon as possible after the accident or incident.

(2) This paragraph shall not be construed to inhibit the employees required to be tested from performing, in the immediate aftermath of the accident or incident, any duties that may be necessary for the preservation of life or property. However, where practical, the railroad shall utilize other employees to perform such duties.

(3) In the case of a passenger train which is in proper condition to continue to the next station or its destination after an accident or incident, the railroad shall consider the safety and convenience of passengers in determining whether the crew is immediately available for testing. A relief crew shall be called to relieve the train crew as soon as possible.

(4) Covered employees who may be subject to testing under this subpart shall be retained in duty status for the period necessary to make the determinations required by § 219.201 and this section and (as appropriate) to complete the sample collection procedure. An employee may not be recalled for testing under this subpart if that employee has been released from duty under the normal procedures of the railroad, except that an employee shall be immediately recalled for testing if—

(i) The employee could not be retained in duty status because the employee went off duty under normal carrier procedures prior to being contacted by a railroad supervisor and instructed to remain on duty pending completion of the required determinations (e.g., in the case of a dispatcher or signal maintainer remote from the scene of an accident who was unaware of the occurrence at the time the employee went off duty);

(ii) The railroad's preliminary investigation (contemporaneous with the determination required by §219.201 of this subpart) indicates a clear probability that the employee played a major role in the cause or severity of the accident/incident; and

(iii) The accident/incident actually occurred during the employee's duty tour.

An employee who has been transported to receive medical care is not released from duty for purposes of this section. Nothing in this section prohibits the subsequent testing of an employee who has failed to remain available for testing as required (i.e., who is absent without leave); but subsequent testing does not excuse such refusal by the employee timely to provide the required specimens.

(c) *Place of sample collection.* (1) Employees shall be transported to an independent medical facility where the samples shall be obtained. The railroad shall pre-designate for such testing one or more such facilities in reasonable proximity to any location where the railroad conducts operations. Designation shall be made on the basis of the willingness of the facility to conduct sample collection and the ability of the facility to complete sample collection promptly, professionally, and in accordance with pertinent requirements of this part. In all cases blood shall be drawn only by a qualified medical professional or by a qualified technician subject to the supervision of a qualified medical professional

(2) In the case of an injured employee, the railroad shall request the treating medical facility to obtain the samples.

(d) *Obtaining cooperation of facility.* (1) In seeking the cooperation of a medical facility in obtaining a sample under this subpart, the railroad shall, as necessary, make specific reference to the requirements of this subpart.

(2) If an injured employee is unconscious or otherwise unable to evidence consent to the procedure and the treating medical facility declines to obtain blood samples after having been acquainted with the requirements of this subpart, the railroad shall immediately notify the duty officer at the National Response Center (NRC) at (800) 424-8802,

and FRA at (202) 632-3378, stating the employee's name, the medical facility, its location, the name of the appropriate decisional authority at the medical facility, and the telephone number at which that person can be reached. FRA will then take appropriate measures to assist in obtaining the required sample.

(e) *Discretion of physician.* Nothing in this subpart shall be construed to limit the discretion of a physician to determine whether drawing a blood sample is consistent with the health of an injured employee or an employee afflicted by any other condition that may preclude drawing the specified quantity of blood.

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§219.205 Sample collection and handling.

(a) *General.* Urine and blood samples shall be obtained, marked, preserved, handled, and made available to FRA consistent with the requirements of this subpart, and the technical specifications set forth in appendix C to this part.

(b) *Information requirements.* In order to process samples, analyze the significance of laboratory findings, and notify the railroads and employees of test results, it is necessary to obtain basic information concerning the accident/incident and any treatment administered after the accident/incident. Accordingly, the railroad representative shall complete the information required by FRA Form 6180.73 (revised) for shipping with the samples. Each employee subject to testing shall cooperate in completion of the required information on FRA Form 6180.74 (revised) for inclusion in the shipping kit and processing of the samples. The railroad representative shall request an appropriate representative of the medical facility to complete the remaining portion of the information on each Form 6180.74 (revised). One Form 6180.73 (revised) shall be forwarded in the shipping kit with each group of samples. One Form 6180.74 (revised) shall be forwarded in the shipping kit for each employee who provides samples.

(c) *Shipping kit.* (1) FRA and the laboratory designated in appendix B to this part make available for purchase a limited number of standard shipping kits for the purpose of routine handling of toxicological samples under this subpart. Whenever possible, samples shall be placed in the shipping kit prepared for shipment according to the instructions provided in the kit and appendix C.

(2) Kits may be ordered directly from the laboratory designated in appendix B to this part.

(3) FRA maintains a limited number of kits at its field offices. A Class III railroad may utilize kits in FRA possession, rather than maintaining such kits on its property.

(d) *Shipment.* Samples shall be shipped as soon as possible by pre-paid air express or air freight (or other means adequate to ensure delivery within twenty-four (24) hours from time of shipment) to the laboratory designated in appendix B to this part. Where express courier pickup is available, the railroad shall request the medical facility to transfer the sealed toxicology kit directly to the express courier for transportation. If courier pickup is not available at the medical facility where the samples are collected or for any other reason prompt transfer by the medical facility cannot be assured, the railroad shall promptly transport the sealed shipping kit holding the samples to the most expeditious point of shipment via air express, air freight or equivalent means. The railroad shall maintain and document secure chain of custody of the kit from release by the medical facility to delivery for transportation, as described in appendix C.

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§ 219.206 FRA access to breath test results.

Documentation of breath test results shall be made available to FRA consistent with the requirements of this subpart, and the technical specifications set forth in appendix C to this part.

[59 FR 7461, Feb. 15, 1994]

§ 219.207 Fatality.

(a) In the case of an employee fatality in an accident or incident described in § 219.201, body fluid and/or tissue samples shall be obtained from the remains of the employee for toxicological testing. To ensure that samples are timely collected, the railroad shall immediately notify the appropriate local authority (such as a coroner or medical examiner) of the fatality and the requirements of this subpart, making available the shipping kit and requesting the local authority to assist in obtaining the necessary body fluid or tissue samples. The railroad shall also seek the assistance of the custodian of the remains, if a person other than the local authority.

(b) If the local authority or custodian of the remains declines to cooperate in obtaining the necessary samples, the railroad shall immediately notify the duty officer at the National Response Center (NRC) at (800) 424-8802 and FRA at (202) 632-3378 by providing the following information:

- (1) Date and location of the accident or incident;
- (2) Railroad;
- (3) Name of the deceased;
- (4) Name and telephone number of custodian of the remains; and
- (5) Name and telephone number of local authority contacted.

(c) A coroner, medical examiner, pathologist, Aviation Medical Examiner, or other qualified professional is authorized to remove the required body fluid and/or tissue samples from the remains on request of the railroad or FRA pursuant to this part; and, in so acting, such person is the delegate of the Administrator under section 208 of the Federal Railroad Safety Act of 1970 (45 U.S.C. 437) (but not the agent of the Secretary for purposes of the Federal Tort Claims Act). Such qualified professional may rely upon the representations of the railroad or FRA representative with respect to the occurrence of the event requiring that toxicological tests be conducted and the coverage of the deceased employee under these rules.

(d) Appendix C to this part specifies body fluid and tissue samples required

for toxicological analysis in the case of a fatality.

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§ 219.209 Reports of tests and refusals.

(a)(1) A railroad that has experienced one or more events for which samples were obtained shall provide prompt telephonic notification summarizing such events. Notification shall immediately be provided to the duty officer at the National Response Center (NRC) at (800) 424-8802 and to the Office of Safety, FRA, at (202) 632-3378.

(2) Each telephonic report shall contain:

- (i) Name of railroad;
- (ii) Name, title and telephone number of person making the report;
- (iii) Time, date and location of the accident/incident;
- (iv) Brief summary of the circumstances of the accident/incident, including basis for testing; and
- (v) Number, names and occupations of employees tested.

(b) If the railroad is unable, as a result of non-cooperation of an employee or for any other reason, to obtain a sample and cause it to be provided to FRA as required by this subpart, the railroad shall make a concise narrative report of the reason for such failure and, if appropriate, any action taken in response to the cause of such failure. This report shall be appended to the report of the accident/incident required to be submitted under part 225 of this subchapter.

(c) If a test required by this section is not administered within four hours following the accident or incident, the railroad shall prepare and maintain on file a record stating the reasons the test was not promptly administered. Records shall be submitted to the Federal Railroad Administration upon request of the Associate Administrator for Safety.

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§ 219.211 Analysis and follow-up.

(a) The laboratory designated in appendix B to this part undertakes prompt analysis of samples provided under this subpart, consistent with the

need to develop all relevant information and produce a complete report. Samples are analyzed for alcohol and controlled substances specified by FRA under protocols specified by FRA, summarized in appendix C, which have been submitted to the Department of Health and Human Services for acceptance. Samples may be analyzed for other impairing substances specified by FRA as necessary to the particular accident investigation.

(b) Results of post-accident toxicological testing under this subpart are reported to the railroad's Medical Review Officer and the employee. The MRO and the railroad shall treat the test results and any information concerning medical use or administration of drugs provided under this subpart in the same confidential manner as if subject to subpart H of this part, except where publicly disclosed by FRA or the National Transportation Safety Board.

(c) With respect to a surviving employee, a test reported as positive for alcohol or a controlled substance by the designated laboratory shall be reviewed by the railroad's Medical Review Officer with respect to any claim of use or administration of medications (consistent with § 219.103 of this part) that could account for the laboratory findings. The Medical Review Officer shall promptly report the results of each review to the Associate Administrator for Safety, FRA, Washington, DC 20590. Such report shall be in writing and shall reference the employing railroad, accident/incident date, and location; and the envelope shall be marked "ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL: ATTENTION ALCOHOL/DRUG PROGRAM MANAGER." The report shall state whether the MRO reported the test result to the employing railroad as positive or negative and the basis of any determination that analytes detected by the laboratory derived from authorized use (including a statement of the compound prescribed, dosage/frequency, and any restrictions imposed by the authorized medical practitioner). Unless specifically requested by FRA in writing, the Medical Review Officer shall not disclose to FRA the underlying physical condition

for which any medication was authorized or administered. The Federal Railroad Administration shall not be bound by the railroad Medical Review Officer's determination, but that determination will be considered by FRA in relation to the accident/incident investigation and with respect to any enforcement action under consideration.

(d) To the extent permitted by law, FRA treats test results indicating medical use of controlled substances consistent with §219.103 (and other information concerning medically authorized drug use or administration provided incident to such testing) as administratively confidential and withholds public disclosure, except where it is necessary to consider this information in an accident investigation in relation to determination of probable cause. (However, as further provided in this section, FRA may provide results of testing under this subpart and supporting documentation to the National Transportation Safety Board.)

(e) An employee may respond in writing to the results of the test prior to the preparation of any final investigation report concerning the accident or incident. An employee wishing to respond shall do so by letter addressed to the Alcohol/Drug Program Manager, Office of Safety, FRA, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590 within 45 days of receipt of the test results. Any such submission shall refer to the accident date, railroad and location, shall state the position occupied by the employee on the date of the accident/incident, and shall identify any information contained therein that the employee requests be withheld from public disclosure on grounds of personal privacy (but the decision whether to honor such request shall be made by the FRA on the basis of controlling law).

(f)(1) The toxicology report may contain a statement of pharmacological significance to assist FRA and other parties in understanding the data reported. No such statement may be construed as a finding of probable cause in the accident or incident.

(2) The toxicology report is a part of the report of the accident/incident and therefore subject to the limitation of section 4 of the Accident Reports Act

(45 U.S.C. 41) (prohibiting use of the report for any purpose in any action for damages).

(g)(1) It is in the public interest to ensure that any railroad disciplinary actions that may result from accidents and incidents for which testing is required under this subpart are disposed of on the basis of the most complete and reliable information available so that responsive action will be appropriate. Therefore, during the interval between an accident or incident and the date that the railroad receives notification of the results of the toxicological analysis, any provision of collective bargaining agreements establishing maximum periods for charging employees with rule violations, or for holding an investigation, shall not be deemed to run as to any offense involving the accident or incident (*i.e.*, such periods shall be tolled).

(2) This provision shall not be construed to excuse the railroad from any obligation to timely charge an employee (or provide other actual notice) where the railroad obtains sufficient information relating to alcohol or drug use, impairment or possession or other rule violations prior to the receipt to toxicological analysis.

(3) This provision does not authorize holding any employee out of service pending receipt of toxicological analysis; nor does it restrict a railroad from taking such action in an appropriate case.

(h) Except as provided in §219.201 (with respect to non-qualifying events), each sample (including each split sample) provided under this subpart is retained for not less than three months following the date of the accident or incident (two years from the date of the accident or incident in the case of a sample testing positive for alcohol or a controlled substance). Post-mortem specimens may be made available to the National Transportation Safety Board (on request).

(i) An employee (donor) may, within 60 days of the date of the toxicology report, request that the employee's blood and/or urine sample be retested by the designated laboratory or by another laboratory certified by the Department of Health and Human Services under

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that Department's Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs that has available an appropriate, validated assay for the fluid and compound declared positive. Since some analytes may deteriorate during storage, detected levels of the compound shall, as technically appropriate, be reported and considered corroborative of the original test result. Any request for a retest shall be in writing, specify the railroad, accident date and location, be signed by the employee/donor, be addressed to the Associate Administrator for Safety, FRA, Washington, DC 20590, and be designated "ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL: ATTENTION ALCOHOL/DRUG PROGRAM MANAGER." The expense of any employee-requested retest at a laboratory other than the laboratory designated under this subpart shall be borne by the employee.

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§ 219.213 Unlawful refusals; consequences.

(a) *Disqualification.* An employee who refuses to cooperate in providing breath, blood or urine samples following an accident or incident specified in this subpart shall be withdrawn from covered service and shall be deemed disqualified for covered service for a period of nine (9) months in accordance with the conditions specified in § 219.107.

(b) *Procedures.* Prior to or upon withdrawing the employee from covered service under this section, the railroad shall provide notice of the reason for this action and an opportunity for hearing before a presiding officer other than the charging official. The employee shall be entitled to the procedural protection set out in § 219.104(d).

(c) *Subject of hearing.* The hearing required by this section shall determine whether the employee refused to submit to testing, having been requested to submit, under authority of this subpart, by a representative of the railroad. In determining whether a disqualification is required, the hearing official shall, as appropriate, also consider the following:

(1) Whether the railroad made a good faith determination, based on reason-

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able inquiry, that the accident or incident was within the mandatory testing requirements of this subpart; and

(2) In a case where a blood test was refused on the ground it would be inconsistent with the employee's health, whether such refusal was made in good faith and based on medical advice.

[54 FR 53259, Dec. 27, 1989, as amended at 59 FR 7461, Feb. 15, 1994]

Subpart D—Testing for Cause

§ 219.300 Mandatory reasonable suspicion testing.

(a) *Requirements.* (1) Beginning on January 1, 1995, a railroad shall require a covered employee to submit to an alcohol test when the railroad has reasonable suspicion to believe that the employee has violated any prohibition of subpart B of this part concerning use of alcohol. The railroad's determination that reasonable suspicion exists to require the covered employee to undergo an alcohol test must be based on specific, contemporaneous, articulable observations concerning the appearance, behavior, speech or body odors of the employee.

(2) A railroad shall require a covered employee to submit to a urine drug test when the railroad has reasonable suspicion to believe that the employee has violated the prohibitions of subpart B of this part concerning use of controlled substances. The railroad's determination that reasonable suspicion exists to require the covered employee to undergo a drug test must be based on specific, contemporaneous, articulable observations concerning the appearance, behavior, speech or body odors of the employee. Such observations may include indications of the chronic and withdrawal effects of drugs.

(b)(1) With respect to an alcohol test, the required observations shall be made by a supervisor trained in accordance with § 219.11(g). The supervisor who makes the determination that reasonable suspicion exists may not conduct testing on that employee.

(2) With respect to a urine drug test, the required observations shall be made by two supervisors, at least one of whom is trained in accordance with § 219.11(g).

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require the conduct of breath alcohol testing or urine drug testing when the employee is apparently in need of immediate medical attention.

(d)(1) If a test required by this section is not administered within two hours following the determination under this section, the railroad shall prepare and maintain on file a record stating the reasons the test was not properly administered. If a test required by this section is not administered within eight hours of the determination under this section, the railroad shall cease attempts to administer an alcohol test and shall state in the record the reasons for not administering the test. Records shall be submitted to FRA upon request of the Administrator.

(2) For the years stated in this paragraph, employers who submit MIS reports shall submit to the FRA each record of a test required by this section that is not completed within 8 hours. The employer's records of tests that are not completed within 8 hours shall be submitted to the FRA by March 15, 1996; March 15, 1997; and March 15, 1998; for calendar years 1995, 1996, and 1997, respectively. Employers shall append these records to their MIS submissions. Each record shall include the following information:

(i) Triggering event (including date, time, and location);

(ii) Employee category (do not include employee name or other identifying information);

(iii) Reason(s) test could not be completed within 8 hours; and

(iv) If blood alcohol testing could have been completed within eight hours, the name, address, and telephone number of the testing site where blood testing could have occurred.

[59 FR 7461, Feb. 15, 1994, as amended at 59 FR 62239, Dec. 2, 1994]

§ 219.301 Testing for reasonable cause.

(a) *Authorization.* A railroad may, under the conditions specified in this subpart, require any covered employee, as a condition of employment in covered service, to cooperate in breath or urine testing, or both, to determine compliance with §§ 219.101 and 219.102 of

this part or a railroad rule implementing the requirements of §§ 219.101 and 219.102. This authority is limited to testing after observations or events that occur during duty hours (including any period of overtime or emergency service). The provisions of this subpart apply only when, and to the extent that, the test in question is conducted in reliance upon the authority conferred by this section. Section 219.23 prescribes the notice to an employee that is required when an employee is required to provide a breath or body fluid sample under this part. A railroad may not require an employee to be tested under the authority of this subpart unless reasonable cause, as defined in this section, exists with respect to that employee.

(b) *For cause breath testing.* In addition to reasonable suspicion as described in § 219.300, the following circumstances constitute cause for the administration of breath alcohol tests under this section:

(1) [Reserved]

(2) *Accident/incident.* The employee has been involved in an accident or incident reportable under part 225 of this title, and a supervisory employee of the railroad has a reasonable belief, based on specific, articulable facts, that the employee's acts or omissions contributed to the occurrence or severity of the accident or incident; or

(3) *Rule violation.* The employee has been directly involved in one of the following operating rule violations or errors:

(i) Noncompliance with a train order, track warrant, timetable, signal indication, special instruction or other direction with respect to movement of a train that involves—

(A) Occupancy of a block or other segment of track to which entry was not authorized;

(B) Failure to clear a track to permit opposing or following movement to pass;

(C) Moving across a railroad crossing at grade without authorization; or

(D) Passing an absolute restrictive signal or passing a restrictive signal without stopping (if required);

(ii) Failure to protect a train as required by a rule consistent with § 218.37

of this title (including failure to protect a train that is fouling an adjacent track, where required by the railroad's rules);

(iii) Operation of a train at a speed that exceeds the maximum authorized speed by at least ten (10) miles per hour or by fifty percent (50%) of such maximum authorized speed, whichever is less;

(iv) Alignment of a switch in violation of a railroad rule, failure to align a switch as required for movement, operation of a switch under a train, or unauthorized running through a switch;

(v) Failure to apply or stop short of derail as required;

(vi) Failure to secure a hand brake or failure to secure sufficient hand brakes, as required;

(vii) Entering a crossover before both switches are lined for movement; or

(viii) In the case of a person performing a dispatching function or block operator function, issuance of a train order or establishment of a route that fails to provide proper protection for a train.

(c) *For cause urine testing.* In addition to reasonable suspicion as described in § 219.300, each of the conditions set forth in paragraphs (b)(2) ("accident/incident") and (b)(3) ("rule violation") of this section as constituting cause for breath alcohol testing also constitutes cause with respect to urine drug testing.

(d) [Reserved]

(e) *Limitation for subpart C events.* The compulsory urine testing authority conferred by this section does not apply with respect to any event subject to post-accident toxicological testing as required by § 219.201 of this part. However, use of compulsory breath test authority is authorized in any case where breath test results can be obtained in a timely manner at the scene of the accident and conduct of such tests does not materially impede the collection of samples under subpart C.

[54 FR 53259, Dec. 27, 1989; 55 FR 22793, June 4, 1990, as amended at 59 FR 7461, Feb. 15, 1994]

§ 219.302 Prompt sample collection; time limitation.

(a) Testing under this subpart may only be conducted promptly following the observations or events upon which the testing decision is based, consistent with the need to protect life and property.

(b) No employee shall be required to participate in breath alcohol or urine drug testing under this section after the expiration of an eight hour period from—

(1) The time of the observations or other events described in this section; or

(2) In the case of an accident/incident, the time a responsible railroad supervisor receives notice of the event providing reasonable cause for conduct of the test.

(c) An employee may not be tested under this subpart if that employee has been released from duty under the normal procedures of the railroad. An employee who has been transported to receive medical care is not released from duty for purposes of this section. Nothing in this section prohibits the subsequent testing of an employee who has failed to remain available for testing as required (*i.e.*, who is absent without leave).

(d) As used in this subpart a "responsible railroad supervisor" means any responsible line supervisor (e.g., a trainmaster or road foreman of engines) or superior official in authority over the employee to be tested.

(e) In the case of a urine drug test, the eight-hour requirement is satisfied if the employee has been delivered to the collection site (where the collector is present) and the request has been made to commence collection of the urine specimens within that period.

(f) [Reserved]

(g) Section 219.23 prescribes the notice to an employee that is required to provide breath or a body fluid sample under this part.

[59 FR 7462, Feb. 15, 1994, as amended at 59 FR 62239, Dec. 2, 1994]

§ 219.303 Alcohol test procedures and safeguards.

(a)(1) Each Class I railroad (including the National Railroad Passenger Corporation) and each railroad providing

commuter passenger service shall implement mandatory reasonable suspicion testing according to the procedures listed in paragraph (b) of this section beginning on January 1, 1995.

(2) Each Class II railroad shall implement mandatory reasonable suspicion testing according to the procedures listed in paragraph (b) of this section beginning on July 1, 1995. Prior to that date, a Class II railroad may use the procedures described in paragraphs (c) through (e) of this section.

(3) Each Class III railroad (including a switching and terminal or other railroad not otherwise classified) shall implement mandatory reasonable suspicion testing according to the procedures listed in paragraph (b) of this section beginning on January 1, 1996. Prior to that date, a Class III railroad may use the procedures described in paragraphs (c) through (e) of this section.

(4) In the case of a railroad commencing operations after January 1, 1996, the railroad shall implement mandatory reasonable suspicion testing not later than the expiration of 60 days from approval by the Administrator of the railroad's random testing programs.

(b) As provided for in subparagraph (a)(1) of this section, the conduct of alcohol testing under this subpart is governed by subpart H of this part and part 40 of subtitle A of this title.

(c)-(e) [Reserved]

(f)(1) Under the circumstances set forth in § 219.301, a railroad may require an employee to participate in a breath alcohol screening test solely for the purpose of determining whether the conduct of a test meeting the criteria of paragraph (a) is indicated. If the screening test is negative within the meaning of paragraph (b), the employee shall not be required to submit to further breath testing under this subpart. If the screening test is positive, no consequence shall attach except that the employee may be removed from covered service for the period necessary to conduct a breath test meeting the criteria of paragraph (a).

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (d)(2)(iii) of this section, the conduct of a screening test under paragraph (d)(1) of this section does not excuse full

compliance with paragraph (a) of this section with respect to any breath test procedure which is then undertaken. If a screening test is positive, the following procedures govern:

(i) An initial breath test shall be conducted meeting the criteria of paragraph (a) of this section.

(ii) If that test is positive, a second breath test shall be conducted meeting the criteria of paragraph (a) of this section.

(iii) The second test meeting the criteria of section (a) of this section must be conducted at least 15 minutes after the positive screening test conducted under paragraph (d)(1) of this section. However, since a waiting period of 15 minutes is sufficient to permit the dissipation of any alcohol in the mouth, the requirement of paragraph (a)(5) of this section that there be a period of at least 15 minutes between the two tests meeting the criteria of paragraph (a) of this section does not apply.

[59 FR 60563, Nov. 25, 1994, as amended at 62 FR 63467, Dec. 1, 1997]

§ 219.305 Urine test procedures and safeguards.

The conduct of urine drug testing under this subpart is governed by subpart H of this part and (to the extent not inconsistent with this part) part 40 of subtitle A of this title.

Subpart E—Identification of Troubled Employees

§ 219.401 Requirement for policies.

(a) The purpose of this subpart is to prevent the use of alcohol and drugs in connection with covered service.

(b) Each railroad shall adopt, publish and implement—

(1) A policy designed to encourage and facilitate the identification of those covered employees who abuse alcohol or drugs as a part of a treatable condition and to ensure that such employees are provided the opportunity to obtain counseling or treatment before those problems manifest themselves in detected violations of this part (hereafter "voluntary referral policy"); and

(2) A policy designed to foster employee participation in preventing violations of this subpart and encourage

co-worker participation in the direct enforcement of this part (hereafter “co-worker report policy”).

(c) A railroad may comply with this subpart by adopting, publishing and implementing policies meeting the specific requirements of §§ 219.403 and 219.405 of this subpart or by complying with § 219.407.

(d) If a railroad complies with this part by adopting, publishing and implementing policies consistent with §§ 219.403 and 219.405, the railroad shall make such policies, and publications announcing such policies, available for inspection and copying by FRA.

(e) Nothing in this subpart shall be construed to—

(1) Require payment of compensation for any period an employee is out of service under a voluntary referral or co-worker report policy;

(2) Require a railroad to adhere to a voluntary referral or co-worker report policy in a case where the referral or report is made for the purpose, or with the effect, of anticipating the imminent and probable detection of a rule violation by a supervising employee; or

(3) Limit the discretion of a railroad to dismiss or otherwise discipline an employee for specific rule violations or criminal offenses, except as specifically provided by this subpart.

§ 219.403 Voluntary referral policy.

(a) *Scope.* This section prescribes minimum standards for voluntary referral policies. Nothing in this section restricts a railroad from adopting, publishing and implementing a voluntary referral policy that affords more favorable conditions to employees troubled by alcohol or drug abuse problems, consistent with the railroad’s responsibility to prevent violations of § 219.101 and § 219.102.

(b) *Required provisions.* A voluntary referral policy shall include the following provisions:

(1) A covered employee who is affected by an alcohol or drug use problem may maintain an employment relationship with the railroad if, before the employee is charged with conduct deemed by the railroad sufficient to warrant dismissal, the employee seeks assistance through the railroad for the employee’s alcohol or drug use problem

or is referred for such assistance by another employee or by a representative of the employee’s collective bargaining unit. The railroad shall specify whether, and under what circumstances, its policy provides for the acceptance of referrals from other sources, including (at the option of the railroad) supervisory employees.

(2) Except as may be provided under paragraph (c) of this part, the railroad treats the referral and subsequent handling, including counseling and treatment, as confidential.

(3) The railroad will, to the extent necessary for treatment and rehabilitation, grant the employee a leave of absence from the railroad for the period necessary to complete primary treatment and establish control over the employee’s alcohol or drug problem. The policy must allow a leave of absence of not less than 45 days, if necessary for the purpose of meeting initial treatment needs.

(4) Except as may be provided under paragraph (c)(2) of this section, the employee will be returned to service on the recommendation of the substance abuse professional. Approval to return to service may not be unreasonably withheld.

(c) *Optional provisions.* A voluntary referral policy may include any of the following provisions, at the option of the railroad:

(1) The policy may provide that the rule of confidentiality is waived if—

(i) The employee at any time refuses to cooperate in a recommended course of counseling or treatment and/or;

(ii) The employee is later determined, after investigation, to have been involved in an alcohol or drug-related disciplinary offense growing out of subsequent conduct.

(2) The policy may require successful completion of a return-to-service medical examination as a further condition on reinstatement in covered service.

(3) The policy may provide that it does not apply to an employee who has previously been assisted by the railroad under a policy or program substantially consistent with this section or who has previously elected to waive investigation under § 219.405 of this section (co-worker report policy).

(4) The policy may provide that, in order to invoke its benefits, the employee must report to the contact designated by the railroad either:

- (i) During non-duty hours (*i.e.*, at a time when the employee is off duty) or
- (ii) While unimpaired and otherwise in compliance with the railroad's alcohol and drug rules consistent with this subpart.

§ 219.405 Co-worker report policy.

(a) *Scope.* This section prescribes minimum standards for co-worker report policies. Nothing in this section restricts a railroad from adopting, publishing and implementing a policy that affords more favorable conditions to employees troubled by alcohol or drug abuse problems, consistent with the railroad's responsibility to prevent violations of §§ 219.101 and 219.102.

(b) *Employment relationship.* A co-worker report policy shall provide that a covered employee may maintain an employment relationship with the railroad following an alleged first offense under these rules or the railroad's alcohol and drug rules, subject to the conditions and procedures contained in this section.

(c) *General conditions and procedures.*

(1) The alleged violation must come to the attention of the railroad as a result of a report by a co-worker that the employee was apparently unsafe to work with or was, or appeared to be, in violation of this part or the railroad's alcohol and drug rules.

(2) If the railroad representative determines that the employee is in violation, the railroad may immediately remove the employee from service in accordance with its existing policies and procedures.

(3) The employee must elect to waive investigation on the rule charge and must contact the substance abuse professional within a reasonable period specified by the policy.

(4) The substance abuse professional must schedule necessary interviews with the employee and complete an evaluation within 10 calendar days of the date on which the employee contacts the professional with a request for evaluation under the policy, unless it becomes necessary to refer the employee for further evaluation. In each

case, all necessary evaluations must be completed within 20 days of the date on which the employee contacts the professional.

(d) *When treatment is required.* If the substance abuse professional determines that the employee is affected by psychological or chemical dependence on alcohol or a drug or by another identifiable and treatable mental or physical disorder involving the abuse of alcohol or drugs as a primary manifestation, the following conditions and procedures shall apply:

(1) The railroad must, to the extent necessary for treatment and rehabilitation, grant the employee a leave of absence from the railroad for the period necessary to complete primary treatment and establish control over the employee's alcohol or drug problem. The policy must allow a leave of absence of not less than 45 days, if necessary for the purpose of meeting initial treatment needs.

(2) The employee must agree to undertake and successfully complete a course of treatment deemed acceptable by the substance abuse professional.

(3) The railroad must promptly return the employee to service, on recommendation of the substance abuse professional, when the employee has established control over the substance abuse problem. Return to service may also be conditioned on successful completion of a return-to-service medical examination. Approval to return to service may not be unreasonably withheld.

(4) Following return to service, the employee, as a further condition on withholding of discipline, may, as necessary, be required to participate in a reasonable program of follow-up treatment for a period not to exceed 60 months from the date the employee was originally withdrawn from service.

(e) *When treatment is not required.* If the substance abuse professional determines that the employee is not affected by an identifiable and treatable mental or physical disorder—

(1) The railroad shall return the employee to service within 5 days after completion of the evaluation.

(2) During or following the out-of-service period, the railroad may require the employee to participate in a

program of education and training concerning the effects of alcohol and drugs on occupational or transportation safety.

(f) *Follow-up tests.* A railroad may conduct return-to-service and/or follow-up tests (as described in § 219.104 of this part) of an employee who waives investigation and is determined to be ready to return to service under this section.

§ 219.407 Alternate policies.

(a) In lieu of a policy under § 219.403 (voluntary referral) or § 219.405 (co-worker report), or both, a railroad may adopt, publish and implement, with respect to a particular class or craft of covered employees, an alternate policy or policies having as their purpose the prevention of alcohol or drug use in railroad operations, if such policy or policies has the written concurrence of the recognized representatives of such employees.

(b) The concurrence of recognized employee representatives in an alternate policy may be evidenced by a collective bargaining agreement or any other document describing the class or craft of employees to which the alternate policy applies. The agreement or other document must make express reference to this part and to the intention of the railroad and employee representatives that the alternate policy shall apply in lieu of the policy required by § 219.403, § 219.405, or both.

(c) The railroad shall file the agreement or other document described in paragraph (b) with the Associate Administrator for Safety, FRA. If the alternate policy is amended or revoked, the railroad shall file a notice of such amendment or revocation at least 30 days prior to the effective date of such action.

(d) This section does not excuse a railroad from adopting, publishing and implementing the policies required by §§ 219.403 and 219.405 with respect to any group of covered employees not within the coverage of an appropriate alternate policy.

Subpart F—Pre-employment Tests

§ 219.501 Pre-employment tests.

(a)(1) Each Class I railroad (including the National Railroad Passenger Corporation) and each railroad providing commuter passenger service shall implement pre-employment alcohol testing beginning on January 1, 1995.

(2) Each Class II railroad shall implement pre-employment alcohol testing beginning on July 1, 1995.

(3) Each Class III railroad (including a switching and terminal or other railroad not otherwise classified) shall implement pre-employment alcohol testing beginning on January 1, 1996.

(4) In the case of a railroad commencing operations after January 1, 1996, the railroad shall implement pre-employment alcohol testing not later than the expiration of 60 days from approval by the Administrator of the railroad's random testing programs.

(b) Prior to the first time a covered employee performs covered service for a railroad, the employee shall undergo testing for alcohol and drugs. No railroad shall allow a covered employee to perform covered service, unless the employee has been administered an alcohol test with a result indicating an alcohol concentration of less than .04 and has been administered a test for drugs with a result that did not indicate the misuse of controlled substances. This requirement shall apply to final applicants for employment and to employees seeking to transfer for the first time from non-covered service to duties involving covered service. If the test result of a final applicant for pre-employment indicates an alcohol content of .02 or greater, the provisions of paragraph (b) of this section shall apply.

(c) No final applicant for employment tested under the provisions of this part who is found to have an alcohol concentration of .02 or greater but less than .04 shall perform safety-sensitive functions for a railroad, nor shall a railroad permit the applicant to perform safety-sensitive functions, until the applicant's alcohol concentration measures less than .02.

(d) Tests shall be accomplished through breath analysis and analysis of urine samples. The conduct of breath alcohol testing and urine drug testing under this subpart is governed by subpart H of this part and part 40 of subtitle A of this title.

(e) As used in subpart H with respect to a test required under this subpart, the term *covered employee* includes an applicant for pre-employment testing only. In the case of an applicant who declines to be tested and withdraws the application for employment, no record shall be maintained of the declination.

(f) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this subpart, all provisions and requirements in this section pertaining to preemployment testing for alcohol are suspended as of May 10, 1995.

[59 FR 60564, Nov. 25, 1994, as amended at 60 FR 24766, May 10, 1995]

§ 219.503 Notification; records.

The railroad shall provide for medical review of the urine drug test results as provided in subpart H of this part. The railroad shall notify the applicant of the results of the urine and breath tests in the same manner as provided for employees in subpart H. Records shall be maintained confidentially and shall be retained in the same manner as required under subpart J for employee test records, except that such records need not reflect the identity of an applicant whose application for employment in covered service was denied.

[59 FR 7462, Feb. 15, 1994]

§ 219.505 Refusals.

An applicant who has refused to submit to pre-employment testing under this section shall not be employed in covered service based upon the application and examination with respect to which such refusal was made. This section does not create any right on the part of the applicant to have a subsequent application considered; nor does it restrict the discretion of the railroad to entertain a subsequent application for employment from the same person.

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Subpart G—Random Alcohol and Drug Testing Programs

§ 219.601 Railroad random drug testing programs.

(a) *Submission.* Each railroad shall submit for FRA approval a random testing program meeting the requirements of this subpart. A Class I railroad (including the National Railroad Passenger Corporation) or a railroad providing commuter passenger service shall submit such a program not later than October 2, 1989. A Class II railroad shall submit such a program not later than April 2, 1990. A Class III railroad (including a switching and terminal or other railroad not otherwise classified) shall submit such a program not later than July 2, 1990. A railroad commencing operations after the pertinent date specified in this paragraph shall submit such a program not later than 30 days prior to such commencement. The program shall be submitted to the Associate Administrator for Safety, FRA, for review and approval by the Administrator. If, after approval, a railroad desires to amend the random testing program implemented under this subpart, the railroad shall file with FRA a notice of such amendment at least 30 days prior to the intended effective date of such action. A program responsive to the requirements of this section or any amendment to the program shall not be implemented prior to approval.

(b) *Form of programs.* Random testing programs submitted by or on behalf of each railroad under this subpart shall meet the following criteria, and the railroad and its managers, supervisors, officials and other employees and agents shall conform to such criteria in implementing the program:

(1) Selection of covered employees for testing shall be made by a method employing objective, neutral criteria which ensure that every covered employee has a substantially equal statistical chance of being selected within a specified time frame. The method may not permit subjective factors to play a role in selection, *i.e.*, no employee may be selected as the result of the exercise of discretion by the railroad. The selection method shall be capable of

verification with respect to the randomness of the selection process, and any records necessary to document random selection shall be retained for not less than 24 months from the date upon which the particular samples were collected.

(2) The program shall select for testing a sufficient number of employees so that, during the first 12 months—

(i) The random testing program is spread reasonably through the 12-month period.

(ii) [Reserved]

During the subsequent 12-month period, the program shall select for testing a sufficient number of employees so that the number of tests conducted will equal at least 50 percent of the number of covered employees. Annualized percentage rates shall be determined by reference to the total number of covered employees employed by the railroad at the beginning of the particular twelve-month period or by an alternate method specified in the plan approved by the Associate Administrator for Safety. If the railroad conducts random testing through a consortium, the annual rate may be calculated for each individual employer or for the total number of covered employees subject to random testing by the consortium.

(3) Railroad random testing programs shall ensure to the maximum extent practicable that each employee shall perceive the possibility that a random test may be required on any day the employee reports for work.

(4) Notice of an employee's selection shall not be provided until the duty tour in which testing is to be conducted, and then only so far in advance as is reasonably necessary to ensure the employee's presence at the time and place set for testing.

(5) The program shall include testing procedures and safeguards, and procedures for action based on positive test results, consistent with this part.

(6) An employee shall be subject to testing only while on duty. Only employees who perform covered service for the railroad shall be subject to testing under this part. In the case of employees who during some duty tours perform covered service and during others do not, the railroad program shall specify the extent to which, and

the circumstances under which they shall be subject to testing. To the extent practical within the limitations of this part and in the context of the railroad's operations, the railroad program shall provide that employees shall be subject to the possibility of random testing on any day they actually perform covered service.

(7) Each time an employee is notified for random drug testing the employee will be informed that selection was made on a random basis.

(c) *Approval.* The Associate Administrator for Safety will notify the railroad in writing whether the program is approved as consistent with the criteria set forth in this part. If the Associate Administrator for Safety determines that the program does not conform to those criteria, the Associate Administrator for Safety will inform the railroad of any matters preventing approval of the program, with specific explanation as to necessary revisions. The railroad shall resubmit its program with the required revisions within 30 days of such notice. Failure to resubmit the program with the necessary revisions will be considered a failure to implement a program under this subpart.

(d) *Implementation.* (1) No later than 45 days prior to commencement of random testing, the railroad shall publish to each of its covered employees, individually, a written notice that they will be subject to random drug testing under this part. Such notice shall state the date for commencement of the program, shall state that the selection of employees for testing will be on a strictly random basis, shall describe the consequences of a determination that the employee has violated § 219.102 or any applicable railroad rule, and shall inform the employee of the employee's rights under subpart E of this part. A copy of the notice shall be provided to each new covered employee on or before the employee's initial date of service. Since knowledge of Federal law is presumed, nothing in this paragraph creates a defense to a violation of § 219.102 of this part.

(2) Each Class I railroad (including the National Railroad Passenger Corporation) and each railroad providing

commuter passenger service shall implement its approved random testing program not later than January 16, 1990. Each Class II railroad shall implement its approved random testing program not later than July 2, 1990. Each Class III railroad (including a switching and terminal or other railroad not otherwise classified) shall implement its approved random testing program not later than November 1, 1990. In the case of a railroad commencing operations after the pertinent date set forth in paragraph (a) of this section for filing of a program, the railroad shall implement its approved random testing program not later than the expiration of 60 days from approval by the Administrator or by the pertinent date set forth in this paragraph, whichever is later.

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§ 219.602 Administrator's determination of random drug testing rate.

(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) through (d) of this section, the minimum annual percentage rate for random drug testing shall be 50 percent of covered employees.

(b) The Administrator's decision to increase or decrease the minimum annual percentage rate for random drug testing is based on the reported positive rate for the entire industry. All information used for this determination is drawn from the drug MIS reports required by this part. In order to ensure reliability of the data, the Administrator considers the quality and completeness of the reported data, may obtain additional information or reports from railroads, and may make appropriate modifications in calculating the industry positive rate. Each year, the Administrator will publish in the FEDERAL REGISTER the minimum annual percentage rate for random drug testing of covered employees. The new minimum annual percentage rate for random drug testing will be applicable starting January 1 of the calendar year following publication.

(c) When the minimum annual percentage rate for random drug testing is 50 percent, the Administrator may lower this rate to 25 percent of all cov-

ered employees if the Administrator determines that the data received under the reporting requirements of § 219.803 for two consecutive calendar years indicate that the reported positive rate is less than 1.0 percent.

(d) When the minimum annual percentage rate for random drug testing is 25 percent, and the data received under the reporting requirements of § 219.803 for any calendar year indicate that the reported positive rate is equal to or greater than 1.0 percent, the Administrator will increase the minimum annual percentage rate for random drug testing to 50 percent of all covered employees.

(e) Selection of covered employees for testing shall be made by a method employing objective, neutral criteria which ensures that every covered employee has a substantially equal statistical chance of being selected within a specified time frame. The method may not permit subjective factors to play a role in selection, *i.e.*, no employee may be selected as a result of the exercise of discretion by the railroad. The selection method shall be capable of verification with respect to the randomness of the selection process.

(f) The railroad shall randomly select a sufficient number of covered employees for testing during each calendar year to equal an annual rate not less than the minimum annual percentage rate for random drug testing determined by the Administrator. If the railroad conducts random drug testing through a consortium, the number of employees to be tested may be calculated for each individual railroad or may be based on the total number of covered employees covered by the consortium who are subject to random drug testing at the same minimum annual percentage rate under this part or any DOT drug testing rule.

(g) Each railroad shall ensure that random drug tests conducted under this part are unannounced and that the dates for administering random tests are spread reasonably throughout the calendar year.

(h) If a given covered employee is subject to random drug testing under the drug testing rules of more than one DOT agency for the same railroad, the employee shall be subject to random

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drug testing at the percentage rate established for the calendar year by the DOT agency regulating more than 50 percent of the employee's function.

(i) If a railroad is required to conduct random drug testing under the drug testing rules of more than one DOT agency, the railroad may—

(1) Establish separate pools for random selection, with each pool containing the covered employees who are subject to testing at the same required rate; or

(2) Randomly select such employees for testing at the highest percentage rate established for the calendar year by any DOT agency to which the railroad is subject.

[59 FR 62228, Dec. 2, 1994]

§ 219.603 Participation in drug testing.

Participation. A railroad shall, under the conditions specified in this subpart and subpart H, require a covered employee selected through the random testing program to cooperate in urine testing to determine compliance with § 219.102, and the employee shall provide the required sample and complete the required paperwork and certifications. Compliance by the employee shall be excused only in the case of a documented medical or family emergency.

[54 FR 53259, Dec. 27, 1989, as amended at 59 FR 7463, Feb. 15, 1994; 62 FR 63467, Dec. 1, 1997]

§ 219.605 Positive drug test results; procedures.

(a) *Medical review.* The result of a test required under this subpart shall be deemed positive only after it has been properly confirmed as required in subpart H of this part and reviewed by a Medical Review Officer (MRO) as provided in subpart H to determine if it is evidence of prohibited drug use under § 219.102.

(b) Procedures for administrative handling by the railroad in the event a sample provided under this subpart is reported as positive by the MRO are set forth in § 219.104 of this part. The responsive action required in § 219.104 is

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not stayed pending the result of a retest or split sample test.

[54 FR 53259, Dec. 27, 1989, as amended at 59 FR 7463, Feb. 15, 1994]

§ 219.607 Railroad random alcohol testing programs.

(a) Each railroad shall submit for FRA approval a random alcohol testing program meeting the requirements of this subpart. A Class I railroad (including the National Railroad Passenger Corporation) or a railroad providing commuter passenger service shall submit such a program not later than August 15, 1994. A Class II railroad shall submit such a program not later than February 15, 1995. A Class III railroad (including a switching and terminal or other railroad not otherwise classified) shall submit such a program not later than August 15, 1995. A railroad commencing operations after the pertinent date specified in this paragraph shall submit a random alcohol testing program not later than 30 days prior to such commencement. The program shall be submitted to the Associate Administrator for Safety, FRA, for review and approval. If, after approval, a railroad desires to amend the random alcohol testing program implemented under this subpart, the railroad shall file with FRA a notice of such amendment at least 30 days prior to the intended effective date of such action. A program responsive to the requirements of this section or any amendment to the program shall not be implemented prior to approval.

(b) *Form of programs.* Random alcohol testing programs submitted by or on behalf of each railroad under this subpart shall meet the following criteria, and the railroad and its managers, supervisors, officials and other employees and agents shall conform to such criteria in implementing the program:

(1) Selection of covered employees for testing shall be made by a method employing objective, neutral criteria which ensures that every covered employee has a substantially equal statistical chance of being selected within a specified time frame. The method may not permit subjective factors to play a role in selection, *i.e.*, no employee may be selected as the result of the exercise

of discretion by the railroad. The selection method shall be capable of verification with respect to the randomness of the selection process, and any records necessary to document random selection shall be retained for not less than 24 months from the date upon which the particular samples were collected.

(2) The program shall include testing procedures and safeguards, and, consistent with this part, procedures for action based on tests where the employee is found to have violated § 219.101.

(3) The program shall ensure that random alcohol tests conducted under this part are unannounced and that the dates for administering random tests are spread reasonably throughout the calendar year.

(4) The program shall ensure to the maximum extent practicable that each covered employee shall perceive the possibility that a random alcohol test may be required at any time the employee reports for work and at any time during the duty tour (except any period when the employee is expressly relieved of any responsibility for performance of covered service).

(5) An employee shall be subject to testing only while on duty. Only employees who perform covered service for the railroad shall be subject to testing under this part. In the case of employees who during some duty tours perform covered service and during others do not, the railroad program shall specify the extent to which, and the circumstances under which they shall be subject to testing. To the extent practical within the limitations of this part and in the context of the railroad's operations, the railroad program shall provide that employees shall be subject to the possibility of random testing on any day they actually perform covered service.

(6) Testing shall be conducted promptly, as provided in § 219.715(a).

(7) Each time an employee is notified for random alcohol testing the employee will be informed that selection was made on a random basis.

(8) Each railroad shall ensure that each covered employee who is notified of selection for random alcohol testing proceeds to the test site immediately;

provided, however, that if the employee is performing a safety-sensitive function at the time of the notification, the railroad shall instead ensure that the employee ceases to perform the safety-sensitive function and proceeds to the testing site as soon as possible.

(c) *Implementation.* (1) No later than 45 days prior to commencement of random alcohol testing, the railroad shall publish to each of its covered employees, individually, a written notice that they will be subject to random alcohol testing under this part. Such notice shall state the date for commencement of the program, shall state that the selection of employees for testing will be on a strictly random basis, shall describe the consequences of a determination that the employee has violated § 219.101 or any applicable railroad rule, and shall inform the employee of the employee's rights under subpart E of this part. A copy of the notice shall be provided to each new covered employee on or before the employee's initial date of service. Since knowledge of Federal law is presumed, nothing in this paragraph creates a defense to a violation of § 219.101. This notice may be combined with the notice or policy statement required by § 219.23.

(2) Each Class I railroad (including the National Railroad Passenger Corporation) and each railroad providing commuter passenger service shall implement its approved random alcohol testing program beginning on January 1, 1995. Each Class II railroad shall implement its approved random testing program beginning on July 1, 1995. Each Class III railroad (including a switching and terminal or other railroad not otherwise classified) shall implement its approved random testing program beginning on January 1, 1996. In the case of a railroad commencing operations after the pertinent date set forth in paragraph (a) of this section for filing of a program, the railroad shall implement its approved random testing program not later than the expiration of 60 days from approval by the Administrator or by the pertinent date set forth in this paragraph, whichever is later.

[59 FR 7463, Feb. 15, 1994]

§ 219.608 Administrator's determination of random alcohol testing rate.

(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) through (d) of this section, the minimum annual percentage rate for random alcohol testing shall be 25 percent of covered employees.

(b) The Administrator's decision to increase or decrease the minimum annual percentage rate for random alcohol testing is based on the violation rate for the entire industry. All information used for the determination is drawn from the alcohol MIS reports required by this part. In order to ensure reliability of the data, the Administrator considers the quality and completeness of the reported data, may obtain additional information or reports from employers, and may make appropriate modifications in calculating the industry violation rate. Each year, the Administrator will publish in the FEDERAL REGISTER the minimum annual percentage rate for random alcohol testing of covered employees. The new minimum annual percentage rate for random alcohol testing will be applicable starting January 1 of the calendar year following publication.

(c)(1) When the minimum annual percentage rate for random alcohol testing is 25 percent or more, the Administrator may lower this rate to 10 percent of all covered employees if the Administrator determines that the data received under the reporting requirements of § 219.801 for two consecutive calendar years indicate that the violation rate is less than 0.5 percent.

(2) When the minimum annual percentage rate for random alcohol testing is 50 percent, the Administrator may lower this rate to 25 percent of all covered employees if the Administrator determines that the data received under the reporting requirements of § 219.801 for two consecutive calendar years indicate that the violation rate is less than 1.0 percent but equal to or greater than 0.5 percent.

(d)(1) When the minimum annual percentage rate for random alcohol testing is 10 percent, and the data received under the reporting requirements of § 219.801 for that calendar year indicate that the violation rate is equal to or greater than 0.5 percent, but less than 1.0 percent, the Administrator will in-

crease the minimum annual percentage rate for random alcohol testing to 25 percent of all covered employees.

(2) When the minimum annual percentage rate for random alcohol testing is 25 percent or less, and the data received under the reporting requirements of § 219.801 for any calendar year indicate that the violation rate is equal to or greater than 1.0 percent, the Administrator will increase the minimum annual percentage rate for random alcohol testing to 50 percent of all covered employees.

(e) The railroad shall randomly select and test a sufficient number of covered employees for testing during each calendar year to equal an annual rate not less than the minimum annual percentage rate for random alcohol testing determined by the Administrator. If the railroad conducts random alcohol testing through a consortium, the number of employees to be tested may be calculated for each individual employer or may be based on the total number of covered employees covered by the consortium who are subject to random testing at the same minimum annual percentage rate under this part or any DOT alcohol testing rule.

(f) If a railroad is required to conduct random alcohol testing under the alcohol testing rules of more than one DOT agency, the railroad may—

(1) Establish separate pools for random selection, with each pool containing the covered employees who are subject to testing at the same required rate; or

(2) Randomly select such employees for testing at the highest percentage rate established for the calendar year by any DOT agency to which the railroad is subject.

[59 FR 7464, Feb. 15, 1994]

§ 219.609 Participation in alcohol testing.

A railroad shall, under the conditions specified in this subpart and subpart H of this part, require a covered employee selected through the random testing program to cooperate in breath testing to determine compliance with § 219.101, and the employee shall provide the required breath and complete the required paperwork and certifications. Compliance by the employee

shall be excused only in the case of a documented medical or family emergency.

[59 FR 7464, Feb. 15, 1994]

§ 219.611 Test result indicating prohibited alcohol concentration; procedures.

Procedures for administrative handling by the railroad in the event an employee's confirmation test indicates an alcohol concentration of .04 or greater are set forth in § 219.104.

[59 FR 7464, Feb. 15, 1994]

Subpart H—Procedures and Safeguards for Urine Drug Testing and for Alcohol Testing

§ 219.701 Standards for urine drug testing.

(a) Urine drug testing required or authorized by subparts B, D, F, and G of this part shall be conducted in the manner provided by this subpart and (to the extent not inconsistent with this part) part 40 of subtitle A of this title. Laboratories employed for these purposes must be certified by the Department of Health and Human Services under that Department's Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs.

(b) Each railroad's contract with a laboratory conducting testing subject to this subpart shall provide that the FRA and the railroad shall have the right to unannounced inspection during normal business hours through qualified personnel or designated contractors. Such inspection rights shall, at minimum, include reasonable accompanied access to all records pertinent to testing under this part, quality control data incident thereto, samples submitted under this part, and equipment and personnel related to analysis of those samples.

(c) Each such contract shall also require that the laboratory comply with all applicable provisions of this part and 49 CFR part 40, including requirements for employee access to specified laboratory records and any applicable conditions imposed upon approvals issued under this subpart or 49 CFR part 40.

§ 219.703 Drug testing procedures.

(a) Urine samples shall be collected and handled as required in 49 CFR part 40 and this section.

(b) The collection site person (collector) shall meet the requirements of 49 CFR part 40.

(c) A person with management or supervisory responsibility over the employee to be tested, or a co-worker of the employee to be tested, may not serve as a collector. For purposes of this paragraph, *co-worker* means a person with whom the person to be tested is assigned or could be assigned in a crew or other working unit to perform normal transportation duties on the railroad.

[54 FR 53259, Dec. 27, 1989, as amended at 59 FR 7464, Feb. 15, 1994; 62 FR 63467, Dec. 1, 1997]

§ 219.705 Drugs tested.

(a) Urine samples shall be analyzed for the presence of controlled substances designated in paragraph (b) of this section and may be analyzed by procedures reasonably incident to analysis of the specimen for controlled substances (e.g., determination of pH or tests for specific gravity, creatinine concentration, or presence of adulterants).

(b) Each sample submitted shall be analyzed for marijuana, cocaine, phencyclidine (PCP), opiates (morphine and codeine), and amphetamines (amphetamine and methamphetamine).

(c) As part of the reasonable cause testing program established by subpart D of this part, a railroad may test for additional controlled substances in addition to those specified in this section only with approval granted by FRA and for substances for which the Department of Health and Human Services has established an approved testing protocol and positive threshold.

§ 219.707 Review by MRO of urine drug testing results.

(a) Urine drug test results reported positive by the laboratory as provided in part 40 of this title shall not be deemed positive or disseminated to any person (other than to the employee tested in a medical interview, if conducted) until they are reviewed by a

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Medical Review Officer (MRO) of the railroad as required by part 40 of this title and this section. For purposes of this part, medical use of controlled substances by a covered employee is a legitimate medical explanation for presence of a controlled substance (i.e., a basis for declaring the result “negative”) only to the extent such use was consistent with §219.103 of this part.

(b) The MRO shall complete review of test results within not more than 10 regular working days of receipt of the laboratory report or they shall be declared negative, unless any portion of the delay shall result from the unwillingness or inability of the employee to appear for an interview or provide documentation of prescription or other authorized use of medications. If the employee is responsible for such delay, the 10-day period may be extended by a period equal to the period attributed to the employee’s delay. This paragraph shall not be read to bar reporting of a positive result if the employee, without a reasonable basis, fails to respond to an opportunity to provide supplementary information.

(c) After the MRO has reviewed the pertinent information and the laboratory assessment is verified as indicating presence of controlled substances without medical authorization consistent with §219.103 of this part (and the review required by paragraph (b) of this section is completed), the MRO shall report the results to a designated railroad officer for action in keeping with the requirements of this part (or take appropriate action under the railroad’s medical standards). The employee shall be provided a copy of the approved test results, or such results shall be dispatched by U.S. mail or other suitable means providing prompt delivery, not later than 24 hours following any adverse action.

(d) Test results reported as negative by the laboratory shall also be communicated through the MRO. The MRO shall promptly transmit the negative finding to the employee. If the MRO provides the railroad with negative test results in a nonaggregated manner, all such negative test results, including results involving medical use or administration of controlled substances or insufficiency of laboratory

data, shall be transmitted to the designated railroad officer over the MRO’s signature in a manner that does not disclose medical use of drugs which is permitted under §219.103 of this part.

[54 FR 53259, Dec. 27, 1989, as amended at 59 FR 7464, Feb. 15, 1994]

§ 219.708 Employee requests for testing.

If the test result of the primary sample is positive, an employee may request that his or her split sample(s) be tested in accordance with the procedures specified in 49 CFR part 40.

[59 FR 7464, Feb. 15, 1994]

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§ 219.711 Confidentiality of test results.

(a) A laboratory reporting results of tests conducted under this subpart shall report those results only to the designated Medical Review Officer of the railroad. The results shall not be disclosed by the laboratory to any other person, except that the laboratory may affirm the test result to the employee to whom the sample was identified. This paragraph shall not be read to bar normal access to analytical data for laboratory accreditation or certification processes.

(b) The MRO may not disclose medically approved drug use or administration information obtained under this part (whether ascertained through testing or reported by the employee or the employee’s medical practitioner at the employee’s request) to non-medical railroad personnel or any third party; however, nothing in this part bars use of such information by the railroad’s medical officer in the context of an established medical qualifications program. This paragraph shall not be construed to permit medical disqualification of an employee based upon a laboratory report indicating presence of a controlled substance prior to completion of the MRO review, nor to limit the discretion of the railroad under §40.33(c) of this chapter.

(c) No record of tests conducted subject to this subpart or information drawn therefrom shall be used or disseminated by the railroad or within the railroad for any purpose other than

providing for compliance with this part (and railroad rules consistent herewith), unless with the voluntary written consent of the employee. Such written consent shall specify the person to whom the information may be provided. Each railroad shall adopt and implement procedures to guard this information against unauthorized disclosure both within and external to the railroad company.

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§ 219.715 Alcohol testing procedures.

(a) Each covered employee who is notified of selection for alcohol testing and who is not performing covered service at the time of notification shall proceed to the testing site immediately. The railroad shall ensure that an employee who is performing covered service at the time of notification shall, as soon as possible without affecting safety, cease to perform covered service and proceed to the testing site.

(b) Each railroad shall ensure that all alcohol testing conducted under this part complies with the procedures set forth in part 40 of this title. The provisions of part 40 of this title that address alcohol testing are made applicable to employers by this part.

[59 FR 7464, Feb. 15, 1994]

Subpart I—Annual Report

§ 219.801 Reporting alcohol misuse prevention program results in a management information system.

(a) Each railroad that has 400,000 or more total manhours shall submit to FRA by March 15 of each year a report covering the previous calendar year (January 1–December 31), summarizing the results of its alcohol misuse prevention program.

(b) A railroad that is subject to more than one DOT agency alcohol regulation shall identify each employee covered by the regulations of more than one DOT agency. The identification will be by the total number and category of covered functions. Prior to conducting any alcohol test on a covered employee subject to the regulations of more than one DOT agency, the railroad shall determine which

DOT agency regulation or rule authorizes or requires the test. The test result information shall be directed to the appropriate DOT agency or agencies.

(c) Each railroad shall ensure the accuracy and timeliness of each report submitted. The report shall be submitted on one of the two forms specified by the FRA.

(d) Each report that contains information on an alcohol screening test result of .02 or greater or a violation of the alcohol misuse provisions of subpart B of this part shall include the following elements (the “Alcohol Testing Management Information System Data Collection Form,” appendix D3 to this part):

(1) Number of covered employees by employee category (*i.e.*, train service, engine service, dispatcher/operator, signal, other).

(2) Number of covered employees in each category subject to alcohol testing under the alcohol misuse regulation of another DOT agency, identified by each agency.

(3)(i) Number of screening tests by type of test (*i.e.*, pre-employment and covered service transfer, random, post-positive return to service, and follow-up) and employee category.

(ii) Number of confirmation tests, by type of test and employee category.

(4) Number of confirmation alcohol tests indicating an alcohol concentration equal of .02 or greater but less than .04, by type of test and employee category.

(5) Number of confirmation alcohol tests indicating an alcohol concentration of .04 or greater, by type of test and employee category.

(6) Number of persons denied a position as a covered employee following a pre-employment alcohol test indicating an alcohol concentration of .04 or greater.

(7) Number of covered employees with a confirmation alcohol test indicating an alcohol concentration of .04 or greater, or who have violations of other alcohol misuse provisions, who were returned to service in covered positions (having complied with the recommendations of a substance abuse professional as described in § 219.104(d)).

(8) For cause breath alcohol testing under railroad authority, by reason for test (accident/injury or rules violation), the number of screening tests conducted, the number of confirmation tests conducted, the number of confirmation tests of .02 or greater but less than .04, and the number of confirmation test results of .04 or greater.

(9) For cause breath alcohol testing under FRA authority, by reason for test (reasonable suspicion, accident/injury or rules violation), the number of screening tests conducted, the number of confirmation tests conducted, the number of confirmation tests of .02 or greater but less than .04, and the number of confirmation test results of .04 or greater.

(10) Number of covered employees who were found to have violated other provisions of subpart B of this part, and the action taken in response to the violation.

(11) Number of covered employees who were administered alcohol and drug tests at the same time, with both a positive drug test result and an alcohol test result indicating an alcohol concentration of .04 or greater.

(12) Number of covered employees who refused to submit to a random alcohol test required under this part.

(13) Number of covered employees who refused to submit to a non-random alcohol test required under this part.

(14) Number of supervisory personnel who have received the required initial training on the specific contemporaneous physical, behavioral, and performance indicators of probable alcohol use during the reporting period.

(e) Each report that contains no screening test results of 0.02 or greater or violations of the alcohol misuse provisions of subpart B of this part shall include the following informational elements (the "Alcohol Testing Management Information System Data Collection Form (No Alcohol Misuse)," appendix D4 to this part): (This report may only be submitted if the program results meet this criteria.)

(1) Number of covered employees by employee category (*i.e.*, train service, engine service, dispatcher/operator, signal, other).

(2) Number of covered employees in each category subject to alcohol test-

ing under the alcohol misuse regulation of another DOT agency, identified by each agency.

(3) Number of screening tests by type of test (*i.e.*, pre-employment and covered service transfer, random, post-positive return to service, and follow-up) and employee category.

(4) Number of covered employees with a confirmation alcohol test indicating an alcohol concentration of .04 or greater, or who have violations of other alcohol misuse provisions, who were returned to service in covered positions (having complied with the recommendations of a substance abuse professional as described in § 219.104(d)).

(5) For cause breath alcohol testing under railroad authority, by reason for test (accident/injury or rules violation), the number of screening tests conducted.

(6) For cause breath alcohol testing under FRA authority, by reason for test (reasonable suspicion, accident/injury or rules violation), the number of screening tests conducted.

(7) Number of covered employees who refused to submit to a random alcohol test required under this part.

(8) Number of covered employees who refused to submit to a non-random alcohol test required under this part.

(9) Number of supervisory personnel who have received the required initial training on the specific contemporaneous physical, behavioral, and performance indicators of probable alcohol use during the reporting period.

(f) Annual reporting for calendar year 1993 and prior years shall be governed by the provisions of § 217.13 of this chapter in effect during the subject calendar period.

[59 FR 7465, Feb. 15, 1994]

§ 219.803 Reporting drug misuse prevention program results in a management information system.

(a) Each railroad that has 400,000 or more total manhours shall submit to FRA an annual report covering the calendar year, summarizing the results of its drug misuse prevention program.

(b) A railroad that is subject to more than one DOT agency drug regulation shall identify each employee covered by the regulations of more than one DOT agency. The identification will be

by the total number and category of covered functions. Prior to conducting any drug test on a covered employee subject to the regulations of more than one DOT agency, the railroad shall determine which DOT agency regulation or rules authorizes or requires the test. The test result information shall be directed to the appropriate DOT agency or agencies.

(c) Each railroad shall ensure the accuracy and timeliness of each report submitted by the railroad or a consortium.

(d) Each railroad shall submit the required annual reports no later than March 15 of each year. The report shall be submitted on one of the forms specified by the FRA. A railroad with no positive test results shall submit the "Drug Testing Management Information System Zero Positives Data Collection Form" form attached as appendix D2 to this part. All other railroads shall submit the "Drug Testing Management Information System Data Collection Form" attached as appendix D to this part.

(e) A railroad submitting the "Drug Testing Management Information System Data Collection Form" shall address each of the following data elements:

(1) Number of covered employees by employee category (*i.e.*, train service, engine service, dispatcher/operator, signal service, other).

(2) Number of covered employees in each category subject to testing under the anti-drug regulations of more than one DOT agency, identified by each agency.

(3) Number of specimens collected by type of test (*ie.*, pre-employment and covered service transfer, random, post-positive return to service, and follow-up), and employee category.

(4) Number of specimens verified negative by a Medical Review Officer (MRO) by type of test, and employee category.

(5) Number of specimens verified positive for one or more of the five drugs by a MRO by type of test, employee category, and type of drug. If a test has been verified positive by a MRO for multiple drugs, the employer should report the result as a positive for each type of drug.

(6) Number of applicants or transfers denied employment or transfer to a covered service position following a verified positive pre-employment drug test.

(7) Number of employees, currently in or having completed rehabilitation or otherwise qualified to return to duty, who have returned to work in a covered position during the reporting period.

(8) For cause drug testing, the number of specimens collected by reason for test (*i.e.*, accident/injury, rules violation, or reasonable suspicion), type of authority (railroad or FRA), employee category and type of drug, including drugs tested for under railroad authority only.

(9) For cause drug testing, the number of specimens verified negative by a MRO by reason for test, type of authority, employee category and type of drug, including drugs tested for under railroad authority only.

(10) For cause drug testing, the number of specimens verified positive by a MRO by reason for test, type of authority, employee category and type of drug, including drugs tested for under railroad authority only.

(11) For cause breath alcohol testing under railroad authority, by reason for test, the number of tests conducted, the number of tests with a positive result (*i.e.*, breath alcohol concentration (BAC) = or > .02), and the number of refusals.

(12) For cause urine alcohol testing under railroad authority, by reason for test, the number of tests conducted, the number of tests with a positive result, and the number of refusals.

(13) For cause breath alcohol testing under FRA authority, by reason for test, the number of tests conducted, the number of tests with a positive result, and the number of refusals.

(14) Total number of covered employees observed in documented operational tests and inspections related to enforcement of the railroad's rules on alcohol and drug use.

(15) Based on the tests and inspections described in element 14, the number of covered employees charged with a violation of the railroad's Rule G or similar rule or policy on drugs.

(16) Based on the tests and inspections described in element 14, the number of covered employees charged with a violation of the railroad's Rule G or similar rule or policy on alcohol.

(17) Number of specimens verified positive for more than one drug, by employee category and type of drug.

(18) Number of covered employees who refused to submit to a random drug test required under FRA authority.

(19) Number of covered employees who refused to submit to a non-random drug test required under FRA authority.

(20) Number of supervisory personnel who have received the required initial training on the specific contemporaneous physical, behavioral, and performance indicators of probable drug use during the reporting period.

(f) A railroad authorized to submit the "Drug Testing Management Information System Zero Positives Data Collection Form" attached as appendix D2 to this part shall address each of the following data elements:

(1) Number of covered employees by employee category (*i.e.*, train service, engine service, dispatcher/operator, signal service, other).

(2) Number of covered employees in each category subject to testing under the anti-drug regulations of more than one DOT agency, identified by each agency.

(3) Number of specimens collected and verified negative by type of test (*i.e.*, pre-employment and covered service transfer, random, for cause due to accident/incident, for cause due to rules violation, reasonable suspicion, post-positive return to service, and follow-up), and employee category.

(4) For cause breath alcohol testing under railroad authority, the number of tests conducted by reason for test (*i.e.*, accident/injury, rules violation, or reasonable suspicion).

(5) For cause urine alcohol testing under railroad authority, the number of tests conducted by reason for test.

(6) For cause breath alcohol testing under FRA authority, the number of tests conducted by reason for test.

(7) Total number of covered employees observed in documented operational tests and inspections related to

enforcement of the railroad's rules on alcohol and drug use.

(8) Based on the tests and inspections described in element 7, the number of covered employees charged with a violation of the railroad's Rule G or similar rule or policy on drugs.

(9) Based on the tests and inspections described in element 7, the number of covered employees charged with a violation of the railroad's Rule G or similar rule or policy on alcohol.

(10) Number of covered employees who refused to submit to a random drug test required under FRA authority.

(11) Number of covered employees who refused to submit to a non-random drug test required under FRA authority.

(12) Number of supervisory personnel who have received the required initial training on the specific contemporaneous physical, behavioral, and performance indicators of probable drug use during the reporting period.

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Subpart J—Recordkeeping Requirements

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§ 219.901 Retention of breath alcohol testing records.

(a) *General requirement.* Each railroad shall maintain records of its alcohol misuse prevention program as provided in this section. The records shall be maintained in a secure location with controlled access.

(b) *Period of retention.* Each railroad shall maintain the records in accordance with the following schedule:

(1) *Five years.* The following shall be maintained for a minimum of five years:

(i) Records of alcohol test results with results indicating an alcohol concentration of .02 or greater, documentation of refusals to take required alcohol tests, calibration documentation, and employee evaluation and referrals;

(ii) A summary record of each covered employee's test results; and

(iii) A copy of the annual report summarizing the results of its alcohol misuse prevention programs (if required to submit under § 219.801(a).

(2) *Two years.* Records related to the collection process (except calibration of evidential breath testing devices) and training shall also be maintained for a minimum of two years.

(3) *One year.* Records of all test results below .02 shall be maintained for a minimum of one year.

(c) *Types of records.* The following specific records must be maintained.

(1) Records related to the collection process:

(i) Collection logbooks, if used.

(ii) Documents relating to the random selection process.

(iii) Calibration documentation for evidential breath testing devices.

(iv) Documentation of breath alcohol technician training.

(v) Documents generated in connection with decisions to administer reasonable suspicion alcohol tests.

(vi) Documents generated in connection with decisions on post-accident testing.

(vii) Documents verifying the existence of a medical explanation of the inability of a covered employee to provide an adequate breath sample.

(2) Records related to test results:

(i) The railroad's copy of the alcohol test form, including the results of the test.

(ii) Documents related to the refusal of any covered employee to submit to an alcohol test required by this part.

(iii) Documents presented by a covered employee to dispute the result of an alcohol test administered under this part.

(3) Records related to other violations of this part.

(4) Records related to evaluations:

(i) Records pertaining to a determination by a substance abuse professional concerning a covered employee's need for assistance.

(ii) Records concerning a covered employee's compliance with the recommendations of the substance abuse professional.

(5) Records related to evaluation and training:

(i) Materials on drug misuse awareness, including a copy of the railroad's policy on drug misuse.

(ii) Documentation of compliance with the requirements of § 219.23.

(iii) Documentation of training provided to supervisors for the purpose of qualifying the supervisors to make a determination concerning the need for alcohol testing based on reasonable suspicion.

(iv) Certification that any training conducted under this part complies with the requirements for such training.

§ 219.903 Retention of urine drug testing records.

(a) *General requirement.* Each railroad shall maintain records of its drug misuse prevention program as provided in this section. The records shall be maintained in a secure location with controlled access.

(b) *Period of retention.* Each railroad shall maintain the records in accordance with the following schedule:

(1) *Five years.* The following shall be maintained for a minimum of five years:

(i) Records of employee positive drug test results, documentation of refusals to take required drug tests, and employee evaluation and referral;

(ii) A summary record of each covered employee's test results; and

(iii) A copy of the annual report summarizing the results of its drug misuse prevention program (if required to submit under § 219.803(a).

(2) *Two years.* Records related to the collection process and training shall be maintained for a minimum of two years.

(3) *One year.* Records of negative test results (as defined in Part 40 of this title) shall be maintained for a minimum of one year.

(c) *Types of records.* The following specific records must be maintained.

(1) Records related to the collection process:

(i) Documents relating to the random selection process.

(ii) Documents generated in connection with decisions to administer reasonable suspicion drug tests.

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(iii) Documents generated in connection with decisions on post-accident testing.

(iv) Documents verifying the existence of a medical explanation of the inability of a covered employee to provide a urine sample.

(2) Records related to test results:

(i) The railroad's copy of the drug test custody and control form, including the results of the test.

(ii) Documents related to the refusal of any covered employee to submit to a drug test required by this part.

(iii) Documents presented by a covered employee to dispute the result of a drug test administered under this part.

(3) Records related to other violations of this part.

(4) Records related to evaluations:

(i) Records pertaining to a determination by a substance abuse professional concerning a covered employee's need for assistance.

(ii) Records concerning a covered employee's compliance with the recommendations of the substance abuse professional.

(5) Records related to evaluation and training:

(i) Materials on alcohol misuse awareness, including a copy of the railroad's policy on alcohol misuse.

(ii) Documentation of compliance with the requirements of § 219.23.

(iii) Documentation of training provided to supervisors for the purpose of qualifying the supervisors to make a determination concerning the need for alcohol testing based on reasonable suspicion.

(iv) Certification that any training conducted under this part complies with the requirements for such training.

§ 219.905 Access to facilities and records.

(a) Release of covered employee information contained in records required to be maintained under §§ 219.901 and 219.903 shall be in accordance with 49 CFR part 40 and this section. (For purposes of this section only, urine drug testing records shall be considered equivalent to breath alcohol testing records.)

(b) Each railroad shall permit access to all facilities utilized in complying with the requirements of this part to the Secretary of Transportation or any DOT agency with regulatory authority over the railroad or any of its covered employees.

(c) Each railroad shall make available copies of all results for railroad alcohol and drug testing programs conducted under this part and any other information pertaining to the railroad's alcohol and drug misuse prevention program, when requested by the Secretary of Transportation or any DOT agency with regulatory authority over the railroad or covered employee.

APPENDIX A TO PART 219—SCHEDULE OF CIVIL PENALTIES ¹

Section	Violation	Willful Violation
Subpart A—General		
219.11 General Conditions for Chemical Tests (b)(1), (3), or (4) Employee unlawfully refuses to participate in testing	(—)	\$5,000
(b)(2) Failure to give necessary medical treatment priority, or improperly requiring urine sample ..	\$3,000	8,000
219.23 Notice to employees:		
(a) Failure to give notice of FRA test	1,000	4,000
(b) Failure to give notice of basis for FRA test	500	2,000
(c) Use of Subpart C forms for other types of tests	500	1,000
Subpart B—Prohibitions		
219.101 Alcohol and drug use Employee violates prohibition	(—)	10,000
219.104 Responsive action:		
(a) Failure to remove from service immediately	3,000	8,000
(b) Failure to provide notice	1,000	4,000
(c) Failure to provide prompt post-suspension hearing	2,000	7,000
(d) Unlawful return to service	2,000	7,000
(e) Improper alcohol test	1,000	4,000
219.105 Railroad's duty to prevent violations:		
(a) Permitting employee to go or remain on duty in violation of prohibitions	7,000	10,000
(b) Failure to exercise due diligence to assure compliance with prohibition	2,500	5,000

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Section	Violation	Willful Violation
Subpart—C: Post-Accident Testing		
219.201 Events for which testing is required:		
(i) Failure to facilitate conduct of required post-accident toxicological test by making reasonable inquiry and good faith judgments with respect to circumstances of accident/incident; by failing to take all practicable steps to require employee participation; or by otherwise failing to comply with Subpart C such that test cannot be conducted (each employee not tested is a violation)	5,000	7,500
(ii) Required employee to provide samples under authority of Subpart C where one or more testing criteria not present, due either to mistake of law or failure to make reasonable inquiry or exercise good faith judgment	5,000	10,000
(iii) Failure to promptly provide FRA with report describing decision on whether event qualified for testing	1,000	3,000
219.203 Responsibilities of Railroads and Employees:		
(a) Failure to exclude employee from impact of fatal train incident testing where appropriate	2,500	5,000
(b)(1) Delay in obtaining samples account failure to make every reasonable effort	2,500	5,000
(b)(4) Improper release of or failure to recall employee subject to testing, or improper recall to duty	4,000	7,500
(c) Place of sample collection; by whom	2,500	5,000
(d) Failure to notify FRA of an employee injury requiring FRA intervention	2,500	5,000
219.205 Sample collection and handling:		
(a) Failure to observe requirements with respect to sample collection, marking and handling	2,500	5,000
(b) Failure to provide properly prepared information sheets with samples	1,000	2,000
(d) Failure to promptly forward samples	2,500	5,000
219.207 Fatality:		
(a) Failure to contact custodian and request assistance	2,500	5,000
(b) Failure to notify FRA where intervention needed	2,500	5,000
219.209 Reports of tests and refusals:		
(a) Failure to provide telephonic report	1,000	2,000
(b) Failure to provide written report (samples not provided)	1,000	2,000

Section	Violation	Willful Violation
219.213 Unlawful refusals, consequences:		
(a) Failure to take action against employee who refuses to provide samples, or permitting employee to return without meeting conditions	2,500	5,000
(b), (c) Failure to provide timely notice and proper hearing	2,500	5,000
Subpart D—Authorization to test for casue		
219.301 Testing for reasonable cause:		
(a) Employee required, under authority of this subpart, to submit to testing without reasonable cause	5,000	7,500
(f)(2) Employee required to participate in testing after expiration of 8 hours	2,000	4,000
(f)(4) Employee tested after release from duty	1,500	3,000
219.303 Breath testing procedures and safeguards (incl. optional blood test)	2,000	4,000
219.305 Urine test: failure to comply with Subpart H procedures and safeguards	2,000	4,000
219.309 Employee notice	1,000	4,000
Subpart E—Identification of troubled employees		
219.401 Requirements for policies:		
(i) Failure to adopt or publish or wholesale failure to implement policy required by Subpart E	5,000	7,500
(ii) Failure to implement as to individual employee	2,500	5,000
219.407 Alternate policies: Failure to file agreement or other document or provide timely notice of revocation	1,000	2,000
Subpart F—Pre-Employment Drug Screen		
219.501 Pre-employment drug screens:		
(a) Failure to perform preemployment drug screen prior to employing applicant in covered service	2,500	5,000
(b)(i) Failure to provide prior notice of drug screen	2,000	4,000
(ii) Maintaining record of declination of test	500	1,000
(c) Failure to comply with Subpart H—Procedures and safeguards	2,000	4,000
219.503 Notification; records Failure to notify applicant of test results or to properly maintain or retain records	2,000	4,000
219.505 Refusals; consequences of positive:		
(a) Employing one who has refused test in covered service	2,500	5,000
(b) Employing applicant who has tested positive in covered service	3,000	8,000

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Section	Violation	Willful Violation
Subpart G—Random Drug Testing		
219.601 Programs:		
(a) Failure to submit to FRA on a timely basis a random testing program that satisfies requirements of this subpart and subpart H	5,000	7,500
(b)(1) Required employee to provide sample in reliance on this subpart based on other than random selection	5,000	10,000
(b)(2) through (b)(7) Fail to conform to approved criteria in implementing program	2,000	4,000
(d)(1) Failure to provide timely notice to each employee	1,000	4,000
(d)(2) Failure to implement program on timely basis	5,000	7,500
219.603 Participation in testing; refusals:		
(a) Failure to require a selected employee to cooperate in random testing	2,500	5,000
(b)(1) Failure to take action against employee who refuses to provide sample	2,500	5,000
(b)(2) Failure to provide timely notice and proper hearing	2,500	5,000
(c) Permitting employee to return without meeting conditions	2,500	5,000
219.605 Positive test results: (a) Test deemed positive without following Subpart H procedures	2,000	4,000
Subpart H—Procedures and Safeguards For Urine Drug Testing		
219.701 Standards for urine drug testing (e.g., use of uncertified lab or other violation of 49 CFR part 40 not referenced below, absence of required provisions in contract, etc.)	5,000	7,500
219.703 Collection	2,000	4,000
219.705 Drugs tested	2,000	4,000
219.707 Review by MRO	2,000	4,000
219.709 Retest	2,000	4,000
219.711 Confidentiality	3,000	6,000
219.713 Reports; FRA access	500	2,000

¹ A penalty may be assessed against an individual only for a willful violation. The Administrator reserves the right to assess a penalty of up to \$22,000 for any violation where circumstances warrant. See 49 CFR part 209, appendix A.

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APPENDIX B TO PART 219—DESIGNATION OF LABORATORY FOR POST-ACCIDENT TOXICOLOGICAL TESTING

The following laboratory is currently designated to conduct post-accident toxicological analysis under Subpart C of this part: NWT Inc., 1141 E. 3900 South, Suite A-110, Salt Lake City, UT 84124, Telephone:

(801) 268-2431 (Day), (801) 483-3383 (Night/Weekend).

[60 FR 61665, Dec. 1, 1995, as amended at 62 FR 63467, Dec. 1, 1997]

APPENDIX C TO PART 219—POST-ACCIDENT TESTING SAMPLE COLLECTION

1.0 *General.*

This appendix prescribes procedures for collection of samples for mandatory post-accident testing pursuant to subpart C of this part. Collection of blood and urine samples is required to be conducted at an independent medical facility.

(SURVIVING EMPLOYEES)

2.0 *Surviving Employees.*

This unit provides detailed procedures for collecting post-accident toxicological samples from surviving employees involved in train accidents and train incidents, as required by 49 CFR part 219, subpart C. Subpart C specifies qualifying events and employees required to be tested.

2.1 *Collection Procedures; General.*

All forms and supplies necessary for collection and transfer of blood and urine samples for three surviving employees can be found in the FRA post-accident shipping box, which is made available to the collection site by the railroad representative.

Each shipping box contains supplies for blood/urine collections from three individuals, including instructions and necessary forms. The railroad is responsible for ensuring that materials are fresh, complete and meet FRA requirements.

2.11 *Responsibility of the Railroad Representative.*

In the event of an accident/incident for which testing is required under subpart C of this part, the railroad representative shall follow the designated set of instructions, and, upon arrival at the independent medical facility, promptly present to the collection facility representative a post-accident shipping box or boxes with all remaining sets of instructions. (Each box contains supplies to collect samples from three employees.) The railroad representative shall request the collection facility representative to review the instructions provided and, through qualified personnel, provide for collection of the samples according to the procedures set out.

The railroad representative shall undertake the following additional responsibilities—

- Complete FRA Form 6180.73 (revised), Accident Information Required for Post-Accident Toxicological Testing, describing the testing event and identifying the employees

whose samples are to be deposited in the shipping box.

- As necessary to verify the identity of individual employees, affirm the identity of each employee to the medical facility personnel.
- Consistent with the policy of the collection facility, monitor the progress of the collection procedure.

WARNING: Monitor but do not directly observe urination or otherwise disturb the privacy of urine or blood collection. Do not handle sample containers, bottles or tubes (empty or full). Do not become part of the collection process.

2.12 Employee Responsibility.

An employee who is identified for post-accident toxicological testing shall cooperate in testing as required by the railroad and personnel of the independent medical facility. Such cooperation will normally consist of the following, to be performed as requested:

- Provide a blood sample, which a qualified medical professional or technician will draw using a single-use sterile syringe. The employee should be seated for this procedure.
- Provide, in the privacy of an enclosure, a urine sample into a plastic collection cup. Deliver the cup to the collector.
- Do not let the blood and urine samples that you provided leave your sight until they have been properly sealed and initialed by you.
- Certify the statement in Step 4 of the Blood/Urine Custody and Control Form (FRA Form 6180.74 (revised)).
- If required by the medical facility, complete a separate consent form for taking of the samples and their release to FRA for analysis under the FRA rule.

NOTE: The employee may not be required to complete any form that contains any waiver of rights the employee may have in the employment relationship or that releases or holds harmless the medical facility with respect to negligence in the collection.

2.2 The Collection.

Exhibit C-1 contains instructions for collection of samples for post-accident toxicology from surviving employees. These instructions shall be observed for each collection. Instructions are also contained in each post-accident shipping box and shall be provided to collection facility personnel involved in the collection and/or packaging of samples for shipment.

(POST MORTEM COLLECTION)

3.0 Fatality.

This unit provides procedures for collecting post-accident body fluid/tissue sam-

ples from the remains of employees killed in train accidents and train incidents, as required by 49 CFR part 219, subpart C. Subpart C specifies qualifying events and employees required to be tested.

3.1 Collection.

In the event of a fatality for which testing is required under subpart C, the railroad shall promptly make available to the custodian of the remains a post-accident shipping box. The railroad representative shall request the custodian to review the instructions contained in the shipping box and, through qualified medical personnel, to provide the samples as indicated.

(SURVIVING EMPLOYEES AND FATALITIES)

4.0 Shipment.

The railroad is responsible for arranging overnight transportation of the sealed shipping box containing the samples. When possible without incurring delay, the box should be delivered directly from the collection personnel providing the samples to an overnight express service courier. If it becomes necessary for the railroad to transport the box from point of collection to point of shipment, then—

1. Individual kits and the shipping box shall be sealed by collection personnel before the box is turned over to the railroad representative;
2. The railroad shall limit the number of persons handling the shipping box to the minimum necessary to provide for transportation;
3. If the shipping box cannot immediately be delivered to the express carrier for transportation, it shall be maintained in secure temporary storage; and
4. The railroad representatives handling the box shall document chain of custody of the shipping box and shall make available such documentation to FRA on request.

EXHIBIT C-1—INSTRUCTIONS FOR COLLECTION OF BLOOD AND URINE SAMPLES: MANDATORY POST-ACCIDENT TOXICOLOGICAL TESTING

A. Purpose

These instructions are for the use of personnel of collection facilities conducting collection of blood and urine samples from surviving railroad employees following railroad accidents and casualties that qualify for mandatory alcohol/drug testing. The Federal Railroad Administration appreciates the participation of medical facilities in this important public safety program.

B. Prepare for Collection

Railroad employees have consented to provision of samples for analysis by the Federal Railroad Administration as a condition of

employment (49 CFR 219.11). A private, controlled area should be designated for collection of samples and completion of paperwork.

Only one sample should be collected at a time, with each employee's blood draw or urine collection having the complete attention of the collector until the specific sample has been labeled, sealed and documented.

Please remember two critical rules for the collections:

All labeling and sealing must be done in the sight of the donor, with the sample never having left the donor's presence until the sample has been labeled, sealed and initialed by the donor.

Continuous custody and control of blood and urine samples must be maintained and documented on the forms provided. In order to do this it is important for the paperwork and the samples to stay together.

To the extent practical, blood collection should take priority over urine collection. To limit steps in the chain of custody, it is best if a single collector handles both collections from a given employee.

You will use a single Post-Accident Testing Blood/Urine Custody and Control Form (FRA Form 6108.74 (revised)), consisting of six Steps to complete the collection for each employee. We will refer to it as the Control Form.

C. Identify the Donor

The employee donor must provide photo identification to each collector, or lacking this, be identified by the railroad representative.

The donor should remove all unnecessary outer garments such as coats or jackets, but may retain valuables, including wallet. Donors should not be asked to disrobe, unless necessary for a separate physical examination required by the attending physician.

D. Draw Blood

Assemble the materials for collecting blood from each employee: two 10 ml grey-stoppered blood tubes and the Control Form.

Ask the donor to complete STEP 1 on the Control Form.

With the donor seated, draw two (2) 10 ml tubes of blood using standard medical procedures (sterile, single-use syringe into evacuated gray-top tubes provided). CAUTION: Do not use alcohol or an alcohol-based swab to cleanse the venipuncture site.

Once both tubes are filled and the site of venipuncture is protected, immediately—

- Seal and label each tube by placing a numbered blood sample label from the label set on the Control Form over the top of the tube and securing it down the sides.

- Ask the donor to initial each label. Please check to see that the initials match the employee's name and note any discrep-

ancies in the "Remarks" block of the Control Form.

- As collector, sign and date each blood tube label at the place provided.

- Skip to STEP 5 and initiate chain of custody for the blood tubes by filling out the first line of the block to show receipt of the blood samples from the donor.

- Complete STEP 2 on the form.

- Return the blood tubes into the individual kit. Keep the paperwork and samples together. If another collector will be collecting the urine sample from this employee, transfer both the form and the individual kit with blood tubes to that person, showing the transfer of the blood tubes on the second line of STEP 5 (the chain of custody block).

E. Collect Urine

The urine collector should assemble at his/her station the materials for collecting urine from each employee: one plastic collection cup with temperature device affixed enclosed in a heat-seal bag (with protective seal intact), two 90 ml urine sample bottles with caps and one biohazard bag (with absorbent) also enclosed in a heat-seal bag (with protective seal intact), and the Control Form. Blood samples already collected must remain in the collector's custody and control during this procedure.

After requiring the employee to wash his/her hands, the collector should escort the employee directly to the urine collection area. To the extent practical, all sources of water in the collection area should be secured and a bluing agent (provided in the box) placed in any toilet bowl, tank, or other standing water.

The employee will be provided a private place in which to void. Urination will not be directly observed. If the enclosure contains a source of running water that cannot be secured or any material (soap, etc.) that could be used to adulterate the sample, the collector should monitor the provision of the sample from outside the enclosure. Any unusual behavior or appearance should be noted in the remarks section of the Control Form or on the back of that form.

The collector should then proceed as follows:

Unwrap the collection cup in the employee's presence and hand it to the employee (or allow the employee to unwrap it).

Ask the employee to void at least 60 ml into the collection cup (at least to the line marked). Leave the private enclosure.

IF THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH URINATION OR SAMPLE QUANTITY, SEE THE "TROUBLE BOX" AT THE BACK OF THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Once the void is complete, the employee should exit the private enclosure and deliver

the sample to the collector. Both the collector and the employee must proceed immediately to the labeling/sealing area, with the sample never leaving the sight of the employee before being sealed and labeled.

Upon receipt of the sample, proceed as follows:

- In the full view of the employee, remove the wrapper from the two urine sample bottles. Transfer the urine from the collection cup into the sample bottles (at least 30 ml in bottle A and at least 15 ml in bottle B).
- As you pour the sample into the sample bottles, please inspect for any unusual signs indicating possible adulteration or dilution. Carefully secure the tops. Note any unusual signs under "remarks" at STEP 3 of the Control Form.
- Within 4 minutes after the void, measure the temperature of the urine by reading the strip on the bottle. Mark the result at STEP 3 of the Control Form.

IF THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH THE URINE SAMPLE, SEE THE TROUBLE BOX AT THE BACK OF THESE INSTRUCTIONS

- Remove the urine bottle labels from the Control Form. The labels are marked A and B. Place each label as marked over the top of its corresponding bottle, and secure the label to the sides of the bottle.
- Ask the donor to initial each label. Please check to see that the initials match the employee name and note any discrepancy in the "Remarks" block of STEP 3.
- As collector, sign and date each urine label.
- Skip to STEP 5 and initiate chain-of-custody by showing receipt of the urine samples from the donor. (If you collected the blood, a check under "urine" will suffice. If someone else collected the blood, first make sure transfer of the blood to you is documented. Then, using the next available line, show "Provide samples" under purpose, "Donor" under "released by," check under "urine" and place your name, signature and date in the space provided.)
- Complete the remainder of STEP 3 on the Control Form.
- Have the employee complete STEP 4 on the Control Form.
- Place the filled urine bottles in the individual employee kit. Keep the paperwork and samples together. If another collector will be collecting the blood sample from this employee, transfer both the form and the kit to that person, showing the transfer of the urine samples on the next available line of STEP 5 (the chain of custody block).

F. Seal the Individual Employee Kit

The blood and urine samples have now been collected for this employee. The blood/urine samples will now be sealed into the in-

dividual employee kit, while all paperwork will be retained for further completion. After rechecking to see that each sample is properly labeled and initialed, close the plastic bag to contain any leakage in transportation, and apply the kit security seal to the small individual kit. As collector, sign and date the kit seal.

Before collecting samples from the next employee, complete the next line on the chain-of-custody block showing release of the blood and urine by yourself for the purpose of "Shipment" and receipt by the courier service or railroad representative that will provide transportation of the box, together with the date.

G. Complete Treatment Information

Complete STEP 6 of the Control Form. Mark the box if a breath alcohol test was conducted under FRA authority.

H. Prepare the Box for Shipment

Sealed individual employee kits should be retained in secure storage if there will be a delay in preparation of the shipping box. The shipping box shall be prepared and sealed by a collection facility representative as follows:

- Inspect STEP 5 of each Control Form to ensure chain-of-custody is continuous and complete for each fluid (showing samples released for shipment). Retain the medical facility copy of each Control Form and the Accident Information form for your records.
- Place sealed individual employee kits in the shipping box. Place all forms in zip-lock bag and seal securely. Place bag with forms and unused supplies in shipping box.
- Affix the mailing label provided to the outside of the shipping box.

I. Ship the Box

The railroad must arrange to have the box shipped overnight air express or (if express service is unavailable) by air freight, prepaid, to FRA's designated laboratory. Whenever possible without incurring delay, the collector should deliver the box directly into the hands of the express courier or air freight representative.

Where courier pickup is not immediately available at the collection facility where the samples are taken, the railroad is required to transport the shipping box for expeditious shipment by air express, air freight or equivalent means.

If the railroad is given custody of the box to arrange shipment, please record the name of the railroad official taking custody on the copy of Form 6180.73 retained by the collection site.

"TROUBLE BOX"

1. Problem: *The employee claims an inability to urinate, either because he/she has recently*

voided or because of anxiety concerning the collection.

Action: The employee may be offered moderate quantities of liquid to assist urination. If the employee continues to claim inability after 4 hours, the urine collection should be discontinued, but the blood samples should be forwarded and all other procedures followed. Please note in area provided for remarks what explanation was provided by the employee.

2. Problem: *The employee cannot provide approximately 60 ml. of sample.*

Action: The employee should remain at the collection facility until as much as possible of the required amount can be given (up to 4 hours). The employee should be offered moderate quantities of liquids to aid urination. The first bottle, if it contains any quantity of urine, should be sealed and securely stored with the blood tubes and Control Form pending shipment. A second bottle should then be used for the subsequent void (using a second Control Form with the words "SECOND VOID—FIRST SAMPLE INSUFFICIENT" in the remarks block and labels from that form). However, if after 4 hours the donor's second void is also insufficient or contains no more than the first insufficient void, discard the second void and send the first void to the laboratory.

3. Problem: *The urine temperature is outside the normal range of 32°–38°C/90°–100°F, and a suitable medical explanation cannot be provided by an oral temperature or other means; or*

4. Problem: *The collector observes conduct clearly and unequivocally indicating an attempt to substitute or adulterate the sample (e.g., substitute urine in plain view, blue dye in sample presented, etc.) and a collection site supervisor or the railroad representative agrees that the circumstances indicate an attempt to tamper with the sample.*

Action (for either Problem No. 3 or Problem No. 4): Document the problem on the Control Form. If the collection site supervisor or railroad representative concur that the temperature of the sample, or other clear and unequivocal evidence, indicates a possible attempt to substitute or alter the sample, another void must be taken under direct observation by a collector of the same gender.

If a collector of the same sex is not available, do NOT proceed with this step.

If a collector of the same gender is available, proceed as follows: A new Control Form must be initiated for the second void. The original suspect sample should be marked "Void 1" and the follow-up void should be marked "Void 2," with both voids being sent to the laboratory and the incident clearly detailed on the Control Form.

EXHIBIT C-2—INSTRUCTIONS FOR COLLECTION OF POST MORTEM SAMPLES: EMPLOYEE KILLED IN A RAILROAD ACCIDENT/INCIDENT

To the Medical Examiner, Coroner, or Pathologist:

In compliance with Federal safety regulations (49 CFR part 219), a railroad representative has requested that you obtain samples for toxicology from the remains of a railroad employee who was killed in a railroad accident or incident. The deceased consented to the taking of such samples, as a matter of Federal law, by performing service on the railroad (49 CFR 219.11(f)).

Your assistance is requested in carrying out this program of testing, which is important to the protection of the public safety and the safety of those who work on the railroads.

Materials:

The railroad will provide you a post-accident shipping box that contains necessary supplies. If the box is not immediately available, please proceed using supplies available to you that are suitable for forensic toxicology.

Samples requested, in order of preference:

(1) Blood—20 milliliters or more. Preferred sites: intact femoral vein or artery or peripheral vessels (up to 10 ml, as available) and intact heart (20 ml). Deposit blood in gray-stopper tubes individually by site and shake to mix sample and preservative.

NOTE: If uncontaminated blood is not available, bloody fluid or clots from body cavity may be useful for qualitative purposes; but do not label as blood. Please indicate source and identity of sample on label of tube.

(2) Urine—as much as 100 milliliters, if available. Deposit into plastic bottles provided.

(3) Vitreous fluid—all available, deposited into smallest available tube (e.g., 3 ml) with 1% sodium fluoride, or gray-stopper tube (provided). Shake to mix sample and preservative.

(4) If available at autopsy, organs—50 to 100 grams each of two or more of the following in order preference, as available: liver, bile, brain, kidney, spleen, and/or lung. Samples should be individually deposited into zip-lock bags or other clean, single use containers suitable for forensic samples.

(5) If vitreous or urine is not available, please provide—

a. Spinal fluid—all available, in 8 ml container (if available) with sodium fluoride or in gray-stopper tube; or, if spinal fluid cannot be obtained,

b. Gastric content—up to 100 milliliters, as available, into plastic bottle.

Sample collection:

Sampling at time of autopsy is preferred so that percutaneous needle puncturing is not necessary. However, if autopsy will not be conducted or is delayed, please proceed with sampling.

Blood samples should be taken by sterile syringe and deposited directly into evacuated tube, if possible, to avoid contamination of sample or dissipation of volatiles (ethyl alcohol).

NOTE: If only cavity fluid is available, please open cavity to collect sample. Note condition of cavity.

Please use smallest tubes available to accommodate available quantity of fluid sample (with 1% sodium fluoride).

Sample identification, sealing:

As each sample is collected, seal each blood tube and each urine bottle using the respective blood tube or urine bottle using the identifier labels from the set provided with the Post Accident Testing Blood/Urine Custody and Control Form (FRA Form 6180.74 (revised)). Make sure the unique identification number on the labels match the pre-printed number on the Control Form. Please label other samples with name and sample set identification numbers. You can use labels and seals from any of the extra forms, but annotate them accordingly.

Annotate each label with sample description and source (as appropriate) (e.g., blood, femoral vein).

Please provide copy of any written documentation regarding condition of body and/or sampling procedure that is available at the time samples are shipped.

Handling:

If samples cannot be shipped immediately as provided below, samples other than blood may be immediately frozen. Blood samples should be refrigerated, but not frozen.

All samples and documentation should be secured from unauthorized access pending delivery for transportation.

Information:

If the railroad has not already done so, please place the name of the subject at the top of the Control Form (STEP 1). You are requested to complete STEP 2 of the form, annotating it by writing the word "FATALITY," listing the samples provided, providing any further information under "Remarks" or at the bottom of the form. If it is necessary to transfer custody of the samples from the

person taking the samples prior to preparing the box for shipment, please use the blocks provided in STEP 5 to document transfer of custody.

The railroad representative will also provide Accident Information Required for Post-Accident Toxicological Testing, FRA Form 6180.73 (revised). Both forms should be placed in the shipping box when completed; but you may retain the designated medical facility copy of each form for your records.

Packing the shipping box:

Place urine bottles and blood tubes in the sponge liner in the individual kit, close the biohazard bag zipper, close the kit and apply the kit custody seal to the kit. You may use additional kits for each tissue sample, being careful to identify sample by tissue, name of deceased, and specimen set identification number. Apply kit security seals to individual kits and initial across all seals.

Place all forms in the zip-lock bag and seal securely. Place the bag in the shipping box. Do not put forms in with the specimens.

Seal the shipping box with the seal provided and initial and date across the seal.

Affix the mailing label to the outside of the box.

Shipping the box:

The railroad must arrange to have the box shipped overnight air express or (if express service is unavailable) by air freight, prepaid, to FRA's designated laboratory. When possible, but without incurring delay, deliver the sealed shipping box directly to the express courier or the air freight representative.

If courier pickup is not immediately available at your facility, the railroad is required to transport the sealed shipping box to the nearest point of shipment via air express, air freight or equivalent means.

If the railroad receives the sealed shipping box to arrange shipment, please record under "Supplemental Information" on the Control Form, the name of the railroad official taking custody.

Other:

FRA requests that the person taking the samples annotate the Control Form under "Supplemental Information" if additional toxicological analysis will be undertaken with respect to the fatality. FRA reports are available to the coroner or medical examiner on request.

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APPENDIX D - DRUG TESTING MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (MIS)
DATA COLLECTION FORM

INSTRUCTIONS

The following instructions are to be used as a guide for completing the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) **Drug Testing MIS Data Collection Form**. These instructions outline and explain the information requested and indicate the probable sources for this information. A sample testing results table with a narrative explanation is provided on pages iv-v as an example to facilitate the process of completing the form correctly.

This reporting form includes five sections. Collectively, these sections address the data elements required in the FRA and the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) drug testing regulations. The five sections, the page number for the instructions, and the page location on the reporting form are:

<u>Section</u>	<u>Instructions</u> <u>Page</u>	<u>Reporting</u> <u>Form</u> <u>Page</u>
A. RAILROAD EMPLOYER INFORMATION	i	1
B. COVERED EMPLOYEES	i	2
C. DRUG TESTING INFORMATION	ii-vi	3-5
D. OTHER DRUG TESTING/PROGRAM INFORMATION	vi	6
E. DRUG TRAINING/EDUCATION	vi	6

Page 1 **RAILROAD EMPLOYER INFORMATION** (Section A) requires the company name for which the report is done and a current address. Below this, a signature, date, and current telephone (including the area code) are required certifying the correctness and completeness of the form.

Page 2 **COVERED EMPLOYEES** (Section B) requires a count for each Hours of Service Act employee category that must be tested under FRA regulations. The categories are: "Engine Service", "Train Service", "Dispatcher/Operator", "Signal Service", and "Other." The **OTHER** category is a count of employees performing covered service that are not included in specific preceding categories. Examples include yardmasters, hostlers (non-engineer craft), bridge tenders, switch tenders, etc. These counts should be based on the company records as of January 1 of the reported year. The **TOTAL** is a count of all covered employees for all categories combined, i.e., the sum of the column.

Additional information must be completed if your company employs personnel who perform duties covered by the anti-drug rules of more than one DOT operating administration. **NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES COVERED BY MORE THAN**

ONE DOT OPERATING ADMINISTRATION, requires that you identify the number of employees in each employee category under the appropriate additional operating administration(s).

Section C is used to summarize drug testing results for applicants and drug and alcohol testing results for covered employees. There are seven categories of testing to be completed. The first part of the table is where you enter the data on pre-employment/covered service transfer testing. The remaining six parts are for entering drug testing data on random testing, post-positive return to service testing, follow-up testing, for cause drug testing (one part each for "for cause testing" due to accidents/injuries, rules violations, and reasonable suspicion), and for cause alcohol testing (one part each for breath tests due to railroad rules, urine tests due to railroad rules, and breath tests mandated by the FRA), respectively. Items necessary to complete the drug testing tables include:

- 1) the number of specimens collected in each employee category;
- 2) the number of specimens tested which were verified negative and verified positive for any drug(s); and
- 3) individual counts of those specimens which were verified positive for each of the five drugs.

Do not include results of quality control (QC) samples submitted to the testing laboratory in any of the tables.

A sample table with detailed instructions is provided for the first part **PRE-EMPLOYMENT/COVERED SERVICE TRANSFER TESTING**. The format and explanations used for the sample apply to all seven parts of the table in Section C.

Information on actions taken with those persons testing positive is required at the end of page 3. Specific instructions for providing this latter information are given after the instructions for completing the tables in Section C.

Page 3

DRUG TESTING INFORMATION (Section C) requires information for drug testing by category of testing. All numbers entered into the pre-employment/covered service transfer section of the table should be separated into the category of employment for which the person was applying/transferring. The other categories are for employee testing and require information for company employees in **covered positions** only. Each part of this table must be completed for each category of testing. These categories include: (1) random testing, (2) post-positive return to service testing, (3) follow-up testing, (4) for cause testing due to accidents/injuries, (5) for cause testing due to rule violations, and (6) for cause testing due to reasonable suspicion. These numbers **do not** include refusals for testing. A sample section of the table with example numbers is presented on page v.

Three types of information are necessary to complete the left side of this table. The first blank column with the heading "**NUMBER OF SPECIMENS COLLECTED**," requires a count for all collected specimens by employee category. It should not include refusals to test. The second blank column with the heading "**NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED NEGATIVE**," requires a count for all completed tests by employee category that were verified negative by your Medical Review Officer (MRO).

The third blank column with the heading "**NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR ONE OR MORE OF THE FIVE DRUGS**," refers to the number of specimens provided by job applicants or employees that were verified positive. "Verified positive" means the results were verified by your MRO.

The right hand portion of this table, with the heading "**NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR EACH TYPE OF DRUG**," requires counts of positive tests for each of the five drugs for which tests were done, i.e., marijuana (THC), cocaine, phencyclidine (PCP), opiates, and amphetamines. The number of specimens positive for each drug should be entered in the appropriate column for that drug type. Again, "verified positive" refers to test results verified by your MRO.

If an applicant or employee tested positive for more than one drug; for example, both marijuana and cocaine, that person's positive results would be included once in each of the appropriate columns (marijuana and cocaine).

Each column in the table should be added and the answer entered in the row marked "**TOTAL**".

A sample table is provided on page v with example numbers.

Page 3 Below the part of the table containing pre-employment/covered service transfer testing information is a box with the heading "**Number of applicants/transfers denied employment/transfer in a covered position following a verified positive drug test**". This is simply a count of those persons who were not hired/transferred into a covered position because they tested positive for one or more drugs.

Page 3 Below the part of the table containing post-positive return to service testing information, you must record the **number of employees returned to duty during this reporting period after having failed or refused a drug test required under the FRA rule**. This information should be available from the personnel office and/or drug program manager.

Page 4 **FOR CAUSE TESTING** data are provided in three separate parts of the table -- one for accidents/injuries, one for rules violations, and one for reasonable suspicion. In the shaded portion of the parts for accidents/injuries and rules violations you must indicate whether the testing was conducted under FRA authority or under railroad authority.

The sections of the table for accidents/injuries and rules violations contain two additional columns which must be completed for testing done under railroad authority. The first additional column, labeled "Other Prohibited," requires that you list any drugs, other than the five listed, that are tested under railroad rule (e.g., butalbital). The rightmost column, labeled "Combined," requires that you indicate whether any of these positives were in combination with one or more positive findings for the five drugs (same specimen). If yes, you must attach details (e.g., 2 marijuana/butalbital).

SAMPLE APPLICANT TEST RESULTS TABLE

The following example is for Section C, **DRUG TESTING INFORMATION**, which summarizes pre-employment/covered service transfer testing results. The procedures detailed here also apply to the other categories of testing in Section C which require you to summarize testing results for employees. This example uses the categories "Engine Service" and "Train Service" to illustrate the procedures for completing the form.

- A** Urine specimens were collected for 157 job applicants for engine service positions during the reporting year. This information is entered in the first blank column of the table in the row marked "Engine Service".
- B** The Medical Review Officer (MRO) for your company reported that 153 of those 157 specimens from applicants for engine service positions were negative (i.e., no drugs were detected). Enter this information in the second blank column of the table in the row marked "Engine Service".
- C** The MRO for your company reported that 4 of those 157 specimens from applicants for engine service positions were positive (i.e., a drug or drugs were detected). Enter this information in the third blank column of the table in the row marked "Engine Service".
- D** With the 4 specimens that tested positive, the following drugs were detected:

<u>Specimen</u>	<u>Drugs</u>
#1	Marijuana
#2	Amphetamines
#3	Marijuana and Cocaine (Multi-drug specimen)
#4	Marijuana

Marijuana was detected in three (3) specimens, cocaine in one (1), and amphetamines in one (1). This information is entered in the columns on the right hand side of the table under each of these drugs. Two different drugs were detected in specimen #3 (multi-drug) so an entry is made in both the marijuana and the cocaine column for this specimen. Information on multi-drug specimens must also be entered in Section D, **OTHER DRUG TESTING/PROGRAM INFORMATION**, on page 6 of the reporting form.

Please note that the sample data collection form also has information for train service on line two. The same procedures outlined for engine service should be followed for entering the data on train service. With applicants for train service positions, 107 specimens were collected resulting in 105 verified negatives and 2 verified positives -- 1 for marijuana and 1 for opiates. This information is entered in the row marked "Train Service".

- E** The last row, marked "TOTAL", requires you to add the numbers in each of the columns. With this example, 157 specimens from applicants for engine service positions were collected and 107 for applicants for train service positions. The total for that column would be 264 (i.e., 157+107). The same procedure should

be used for each column, i.e., add all the numbers in that column and place the answer in the last row.

PRE-EMPLOYMENT / "COVERED SERVICE" TRANSFER TESTING								
EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS COLLECTED	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED NEGATIVE	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR ONE OR MORE OF THE FIVE DRUGS	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR EACH TYPE OF DRUG				
				Marijuana (TBO)	Cocaine	Phencyclidine (PCP)	Opiates	Amphetamines
Engine Service	157	153	4	3	1	0	0	1
Train Service	107	105	2	1	0	0	1	0
TOTAL	264	258	6	4	1	0	1	1

A
B
C
D
E

Note that adding up the numbers for each type of drug in a row ("NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR EACH TYPE OF DRUG") will not always match the number entered in the third column, "NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR ONE OR MORE OF THE FIVE DRUGS". The total for the numbers on the right hand side of the table may differ from the number of specimens testing positive since some specimens may contain more than one drug.

Remember that the same procedures indicated above are to be used for completing all of the categories for testing in Section C.

Page 5 FOR CAUSE BREATH ALCOHOL TESTS DONE UNDER RAILROAD RULE/POLICY requires information concerning breath alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for specific cause under the authority of the railroad's rules or collective bargaining agreements (i.e., NOT in reliance on Subpart D of CFR Part 219).

FOR CAUSE URINE ALCOHOL TESTS UNDER RAILROAD RULE/POLICY requires information concerning urine alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for specific cause under the authority of the railroad's rules or collective bargaining agreements (i.e., NOT in reliance on Subpart D of 49 CFR Part 219).

"FRA" FOR CAUSE BREATH ALCOHOL TESTS requires information concerning breath alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for cause, under Subpart D of 49 CFR Part 219.

Page 6 There are three items required under **OPERATIONAL TESTS AND INSPECTIONS** concerning the railroad's program for supervising its employees and ensuring they are free from impairments caused by drugs or alcohol.

- Page 6 **OTHER DRUG TESTING/PROGRAM INFORMATION** (Section D) requires that you complete a table dealing with specimens positive for more than one drug and a table dealing with employees who refused to submit to a drug test.
- Page 6 **SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR MORE THAN ONE DRUG** requires information on specimens that contained more than one drug. Indicate the **EMPLOYEE CATEGORY** and the **NUMBER OF VERIFIED POSITIVES**. Then specify the combination of drugs reported as positive by placing the number in the appropriate columns. For example, if marijuana and cocaine were detected in 3 engine service specimens, then you would write "Engine Service" as the employee category, "3" as the number of verified positives, and "3" in the columns for "Marijuana" and "Cocaine". If marijuana and opiates were detected in 2 engine service specimens, then you would write "Engine Service" as the employee category, "2" as the number of verified positives, and "2" in the columns for "Marijuana" and "Opiates".
- Page 6 **EMPLOYEES WHO REFUSED TO SUBMIT TO A DRUG TEST** requires a count of the **NUMBER OF COVERED EMPLOYEES** who refused to submit to a **random** or **non-random** (pre-employment, for cause, post-positive return to service, or follow-up) drug test required under the FRA regulation.
- Page 6 **DRUG TRAINING/EDUCATION** (Section E) requires information on the number of supervisory personnel who have received the required drug training during the current reporting period.

FRA DRUG TESTING MIS DATA COLLECTION FORM

OMB No. 2130-0526

YEAR COVERED BY THIS REPORT: 19__

A. RAILROAD EMPLOYER INFORMATION

Company _____

Address _____

I, the undersigned, certify the information provided on the attached Federal Railroad Administration Drug Testing Management Information System Data Collection Form is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, correct, and complete for the period stated.

Signature

Title

Date of Signature

Phone Number

Title 18, U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a criminal offense subject to a maximum fine of \$10,000, or imprisonment for not more than 5 years, or both, to knowingly and willfully make or cause to be made any false or fraudulent statements or representations in any matter within the jurisdiction of any agency of the United States. The willful falsification of any information in this report may also subject the submitter to civil or criminal prosecution under Title 45, U.S.C. Section 438(e).

The Federal Railroad Administration estimates that the average burden for this report form is 65 hours. You may submit any comments concerning the accuracy of this burden estimate or any suggestions for reducing the burden to: Office of Safety; Federal Railroad Administration; 400 7th St., S.W.; Washington, D.C. 20590; OR Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (2130-0526); Washington, D.C. 20503.

B. COVERED EMPLOYEES

COVERED EMPLOYEES						
EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	NUMBER OF FRA COVERED EMPLOYEES	NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES COVERED BY MORE THAN ONE DOT OPERATING ADMINISTRATION				
		FAA	FHWA	FTA	RSPA	USCG
Engine Service						
Train Service						
Dispatcher/Operator						
Signal Service						
Other*						
TOTAL						

* Includes yardmasters, hostlers (non-engineer craft), bridge tenders, switch tenders, and other miscellaneous employees performing covered service as defined in 49 CFR 228.5 (c).

READ BEFORE COMPLETING THE REMAINDER OF THIS FORM:

1. All items refer to the **current** reporting period only (for example, January 1, 1994 - December 31, 1994).
2. This report is only for testing **REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION (FRA) AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)**:
 - Results should be reported only for employees in **COVERED POSITIONS** as defined by the FRA drug testing regulations.
 - The information requested should only include testing for marijuana (THC), cocaine, phencyclidine (PCP), opiates, and amphetamines using the standard procedures required by DOT regulation 49 CFR Part 40.
3. Information on refusals for testing should only be reported in Section D ["OTHER DRUG TESTING/PROGRAM INFORMATION"]. Do not include refusals for testing in other sections of this report.
4. Do not include the results of any quality control (QC) samples submitted to the testing laboratory in any of the tables.
5. Complete all items; **DO NOT LEAVE ANY ITEM BLANK**. If the value for an item is zero (0), place a zero (0) on the form.

This part of the form requires information on VERIFIED POSITIVE and VERIFIED NEGATIVE drug tests. These are the results that are reported to you by your Medical Review Officer (MRO).

C. DRUG TESTING INFORMATION

EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS COLLECTED	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED NEGATIVE	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR ONE OR MORE OF THE FIVE DRUGS	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR EACH TYPE OF DRUG				
				Marijuana (THC)	Cocaine	Phencyclidine (PCP)	Opiates	Amphetamines
PRE-EMPLOYMENT/COVERED SERVICE TRANSFER								
Engine Service								
Train Service								
Dispatcher/Operator								
Signal Service								
Other								
Total								
RANDOM								
Engine Service								
Train Service								
Dispatcher/Operator								
Signal Service								
Other								
Total								
POST-POSITIVE RETURN TO SERVICE								
Engine Service								
Train Service								
Dispatcher/Operator								
Signal Service								
Other								
Total								
FOLLOW-UP								
Engine Service								
Train Service								
Dispatcher/Operator								
Signal Service								
Other								
Total								

Number of applicants/transfers denied employment/transfer in a covered position following a verified positive drug test:

Number of employees returned to duty during this reporting period after having failed or refused a drug test required under the FRA rule:

C. DRUG TESTING INFORMATION (continued)

EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS COLLECTED	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED NEGATIVE	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR ONE OR MORE OF THE FIVE DRUGS	NUMBER OF SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR EACH TYPE OF DRUG						
				Marijuana (THC)	Cocaine	Phencyclidine (PCP)	Opiates	Amphetamines	Other Prohibited [1]	Combined [2]
FOR CAUSE DRUG TESTING										
DUE TO ACCIDENT*/INJURY										
*(Accidents NOT qualifying under 49 CFR Part 219 Subpart C) (Testing Conducted Under: FRA Rule _____ Railroad Rule _____)										
Engine Service										
Train Service										
Dispatcher/Operator										
Signal Service										
Other										
TOTAL										
DUE TO RULES VIOLATION										
(Testing Conducted Under: FRA Rule _____ Railroad Rule _____)										
Engine Service										
Train Service										
Dispatcher/Operator										
Signal Service										
Other										
TOTAL										
REASONABLE SUSPICION										
(Testing Conducted Under: FRA Rule _____ Railroad Rule _____)										
Engine Service										
Train Service										
Dispatcher/Operator										
Signal Service										
Other										
TOTAL										

[1] Other drugs tested under railroad rule where the use was prohibited by 49 CFR 219.102.

[2] Indicate whether any of these positives were in combination with one or more positive findings for the five drugs (same specimen). If yes, attach details (e.g., 2 marijuana/butalbital).

C. DRUG TESTING INFORMATION (continued)

FOR CAUSE ALCOHOL TESTING

TYPE OF TEST	NUMBER CONDUCTED	NUMBER POSITIVE (= or > .02%)	NUMBER OF REFUSALS
"FOR CAUSE" BREATH ALCOHOL TESTS UNDER RAILROAD RULE/POLICY The following items request information concerning breath alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for specific cause under the authority of the railroad's rule or collective bargaining agreements (i.e. NOT in reliance on Subpart D or CFR Part 219).			
1. Following ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS:			
2. Following RULE VIOLATIONS:			
3. REASONABLE SUSPICION of current use or impairment:			
"FOR CAUSE" URINE ALCOHOL TESTS UNDER RAILROAD RULE/POLICY The following items request information concerning urine alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for specific cause under the authority of the railroad's rule or collective bargaining agreements (i.e. NOT in reliance on Subpart D or CFR Part 219).			
1. Following ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS:			
2. Following RULE VIOLATIONS:			
3. REASONABLE SUSPICION of current use or impairment:			
"FRA" FOR CAUSE BREATH ALCOHOL TESTS The following items request information concerning breath alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for cause, under Subpart D of 49 CFR Part 219			
1. Following ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS:			
2. Following RULE VIOLATIONS:			
3. REASONABLE SUSPICION of current use or impairment:			

OPERATIONAL TESTS AND INSPECTIONS

The following items request information concerning the railroad's program for supervising its employees and ensuring that they are free from impairments caused by drugs or alcohol:

Total number of covered employees observed in documented tests and inspections related to enforcement of the railroad's rules and policies on drug and alcohol use (including, but not limited to, observations for which urine tests were conducted and observations after accidents/incidents and rule violations):	
Number of covered employees charged with a violation of the railroad's Rule G or similar rule or policy on drugs:	
Number of covered employees charged with a violation of the railroad's Rule G or similar rule or policy on alcohol:	

D. OTHER DRUG TESTING/PROGRAM INFORMATION

SPECIMENS VERIFIED POSITIVE FOR MORE THAN ONE DRUG						
EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	NUMBER OF VERIFIED POSITIVES	Marijuana (THC)	Cocaine	Phencyclidine (PCP)	Opiates	Amphetamines

EMPLOYEES WHO REFUSED TO SUBMIT TO A DRUG TEST	Number
Covered employees who refused to submit to a random drug test required under the FRA regulation:	
Covered employees who refused to submit to a non-random drug test required under the FRA regulation:	

E. DRUG TRAINING/EDUCATION

TRAINING DURING CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD	Number
Supervisory personnel who have received initial training on the specific contemporaneous physical, behavioral, and performance indicators of probable drug use as required by FRA drug testing regulations:	

APPENDIX D1 TO PART 219 [RESERVED]

**APPENDIX D 2 - DRUG TESTING MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (MIS)
"EZ" DATA COLLECTION FORM**

INSTRUCTIONS

The following instructions are to be used as a guide for completing the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) **Drug Testing MIS "EZ" Data Collection Form**. This form should only be used if there are **no positive tests** to be reported by your company. These instructions outline and explain the information requested and indicate the probable sources for this information. This reporting form includes three sections. These sections address the data elements required in the FRA and the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) drug testing regulations.

SECTION A - RAILROAD EMPLOYER INFORMATION requires the company name for which the report is done and a current address. Below this, a signature, date, and current telephone (including the area code) are required certifying the correctness and completeness of the form.

SECTION B - COVERED EMPLOYEES requires a count for each Hours of Service Act employee category that must be tested under FRA regulations. The categories are: "Engine Service", "Train Service", "Dispatcher/Operator", "Signal Service", and "Other." The **OTHER** category is a count of employees performing covered service that are not included in specific preceding categories. Examples include yardmasters, hostlers (non-engineer craft), bridge tenders, switch tenders, etc. These counts should be based on the company records for the reported year. The **TOTAL** is a count of **all** covered employees for **all** categories combined, i.e., the sum of the column.

Additional information must be completed if your company employs personnel who perform duties covered by the drug rules of more than one DOT operating administration. **NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES COVERED BY MORE THAN ONE DOT OPERATING ADMINISTRATION**, requires that you identify the number of employees in each employee category under the appropriate additional operating administration(s).

SECTION C - DRUG TESTING INFORMATION requires information for drug testing and training. The first table requests information on the **NUMBER OF SPECIMENS COLLECTED AND VERIFIED NEGATIVE** in each category for testing. All numbers entered into the pre-employment/covered service transfer section of the table should be separated into the category of employment for which the person was applying/transferring. The other categories are for employee testing and require information for company employees in **covered positions** only. Each part of this table must be completed for each category of testing. These categories include: (1) random testing, (2) for cause testing due to accidents/injuries, (3) for cause testing due to rule violations, (4) for cause testing due to reasonable suspicion, (5) post-positive return to service testing, and (6) follow-up testing. For the three types of for-cause testing, indicate whether testing was conducted under FRA or railroad rule. These numbers **do not** include refusals for testing. "**COLL**" requires the number of specimens collected in each employee category for each category of testing. "**NEG**" requires a count for all completed tests by employee category that were verified negative by your Medical Review Officer (MRO). Do not include results of quality control (QC) samples submitted to the testing laboratory in any of the categories. Each column in the table should be added and the answer entered in the row marked "**TOTAL**".

Following the table that summarizes **DRUG TESTING INFORMATION**, you must provide a count of the number of employees returned to duty during this reporting period after having failed or refused a drug test required under the FRA rule. This information should be available from the personnel office and/or drug program manager.

FOR CAUSE ALCOHOL TESTING requires information concerning breath and urine alcohol tests conducted under railroad rules and FRA rules as specified.

FOR CAUSE BREATH ALCOHOL TESTS DONE UNDER RAILROAD RULE/POLICY requires information concerning breath alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for specific cause under the authority of the railroad's rules or collective bargaining agreements (i.e., NOT in reliance on Subpart D of CFR Part 219).

FOR CAUSE URINE ALCOHOL TESTS UNDER RAILROAD RULE/POLICY requires information concerning urine alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for specific cause under the authority of the railroad's rules or collective bargaining agreements (i.e., NOT in reliance on Subpart D of 49 CFR Part 219).

"FRA" FOR CAUSE BREATH ALCOHOL TESTS requires information concerning breath alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for cause, under Subpart D of 49 CFR Part 219.

There are three items required under **OPERATIONAL TESTS AND INSPECTIONS** concerning the railroad's program for supervising its employees and ensuring they are free from impairments caused by alcohol or drugs.

EMPLOYEES WHO REFUSED TO SUBMIT TO A DRUG TEST requires a count of the **NUMBER OF COVERED EMPLOYEES** who refused to submit to a **random** or **non-random** (pre-employment, for cause, post-positive return to service, or follow-up) drug test required under the FRA regulation.

DRUG TRAINING/EDUCATION DURING CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD requires information on the number of supervisory personnel who have received the required drug training during the current reporting period.

FRA DRUG TESTING MIS EZ DATA COLLECTION FORM OMB No. 2130-0526

YEAR COVERED BY THIS REPORT: 19__

A. RAILROAD EMPLOYER INFORMATION

Company _____

Address _____

I, the undersigned, certify that the information provided on the attached Federal Railroad Administration Drug Testing Management Information System Data Collection Form is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, correct, and complete for the period stated.

Signature

Title

Date of Signature

Phone Number

Title 18, U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a criminal offense subject to a maximum fine of \$10,000, or imprisonment for not more than 5 years, or both, to knowingly and willfully make or cause to be made any false or fraudulent statements or representations in any matter within the jurisdiction of any agency of the United States. The willful falsification of any information in this report may also subject the submitter to civil or criminal prosecution under Title 45, U.S.C. Section 438(e).

The Federal Railroad Administration estimates that the average burden for this report form is 25 hours. You may submit any comments concerning the accuracy of this burden estimate or any suggestions for reducing the burden to: Office of Safety; Federal Railroad Administration; 400 7th St., S.W.; Washington, D.C. 20590; OR Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (2130-0526); Washington, D.C. 20503.

B. COVERED EMPLOYEES

COVERED EMPLOYEES						
EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	NUMBER OF FRA COVERED EMPLOYEES	NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES COVERED BY MORE THAN ONE DOT OPERATING ADMINISTRATION				
		FAA	FHWA	FTA	RSPA	USCG
Engine Service						
Train Service						
Dispatcher/Operator						
Signal Service						
Other*						
TOTAL						

* Includes yardmasters, hostlers (non-engineer craft), bridge tenders, switch tenders, and other miscellaneous employees performing covered service as defined in 49 CFR 228.5 (c).

C. DRUG TESTING INFORMATION

NUMBER OF SPECIMENS COLLECTED AND VERIFIED NEGATIVE														
EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	PRE-EMPLOYMENT /COVERED SERVICE TRANSFER		RANDOM		FOR CAUSE Accident/Injury Testing Conducted Under Rule: FRA ___ Railroad ___		FOR CAUSE Rules Violation Testing Conducted Under Rule: FRA ___ Railroad ___		REASONABLE SUSPICION Testing Conducted Under Rule: FRA ___ Railroad ___		POST-POSITIVE RETURN TO SERVICE		FOLLOW-UP	
	COLL	NEG	COLL	NEG	COLL	NEG	COLL	NEG	COLL	NEG	COLL	NEG	COLL	NEG
Engine Service														
Train Service														
Dispatcher/Operator														
Signal Service														
Other														
Total														

Number of employees returned to duty during this reporting period after having failed or refused a drug test required under the FRA rule:	
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C. DRUG TESTING INFORMATION (continued)

FOR CAUSE ALCOHOL TESTING

TYPE OF TEST	NUMBER CONDUCTED
<p>"FOR CAUSE" BREATH ALCOHOL TESTS UNDER RAILROAD RULE/POLICY The following items request information concerning breath alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for specific cause under the authority of the railroad's rule or collective bargaining agreements (i.e. NOT in reliance on Subpart D or CFR Part 219).</p>	
1. Following ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS:	
2. Following RULE VIOLATIONS:	
3. REASONABLE SUSPICION of current use or impairment:	
<p>"FOR CAUSE" URINE ALCOHOL TESTS UNDER RAILROAD RULE/POLICY The following items request information concerning urine alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for specific cause under the authority of the railroad's rule or collective bargaining agreements (i.e. NOT in reliance on Subpart D or CFR Part 219).</p>	
1. Following ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS:	
2. Following RULE VIOLATIONS:	
3. REASONABLE SUSPICION of current use or impairment:	
<p>"FRA" FOR CAUSE BREATH ALCOHOL TESTS The following items request information concerning breath alcohol tests conducted on covered employees for cause, under Subpart D of 49 CFR Part 219</p>	
1. Following ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS:	
2. Following RULE VIOLATIONS:	
3. REASONABLE SUSPICION of current use or impairment:	

OPERATIONAL TESTS AND INSPECTIONS

The following items request information concerning the railroad's program for supervising its employees and ensuring that they are free from impairments caused by drugs or alcohol:

Total number of covered employees observed in documented tests and inspections related to enforcement of the railroad's rules and policies on drug and alcohol use (including, but not limited to, observations for which urine tests were conducted and observations after accidents/incidents and rule violations):	
Number of covered employees charged with a violation of the railroad's Rule G or similar rule or policy on drugs:	
Number of covered employees charged with a violation of the railroad's Rule G or similar rule or policy on alcohol:	

EMPLOYEES WHO REFUSED TO SUBMIT TO A DRUG TEST	Number
Covered employees who refused to submit to a random drug test required under the FRA regulation:	
Covered employees who refused to submit to a non-random drug test required under the FRA regulation:	

DRUG TRAINING/EDUCATION DURING CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD	Number
Supervisory personnel who have received initial training on the specific contemporaneous physical, behavioral, and performance indicators of probable drug use as required by FRA drug testing regulations:	

**APPENDIX D 3 - ALCOHOL TESTING MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (MIS)
DATA COLLECTION FORM**

INSTRUCTIONS

The following instructions are to be used as a guide for completing the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) **Alcohol Testing MIS Data Collection Form**. These instructions outline and explain the information requested and indicate the probable sources for this information. A sample testing results table with a narrative explanation is provided on pages iii-iv as an example to facilitate the process of completing the form correctly.

This reporting form includes five sections. Collectively, these sections address the data elements required in the FRA and the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) alcohol testing regulations. The five sections, the page number for the instructions, and the page location on the reporting form are:

<u>Section</u>	<u>Instructions Page</u>	<u>Reporting Form Page</u>
A. RAILROAD EMPLOYER INFORMATION	i	1
B. COVERED EMPLOYEES	i	2
C. ALCOHOL TESTING INFORMATION	ii-iv	3-4
D. OTHER ALCOHOL TESTING/PROGRAM INFORMATION	iv	5
E. ALCOHOL TRAINING/EDUCATION	iv	5

Page 1 **RAILROAD EMPLOYER INFORMATION** (Section A) requires the company name for which the report is done and a current address. Below this, a signature, date, and current telephone (including the area code) are required certifying the correctness and completeness of the form.

Page 2 **COVERED EMPLOYEES** (Section B) requires a count for each Hours of Service Act employee category that must be tested under FRA regulations. The categories are: "Engine Service", "Train Service", "Dispatcher/Operator", "Signal Service", and "Other." The **OTHER** category is a count of employees performing covered service that are not included in specific preceding categories. Examples include yardmasters, hostlers (non-engineer craft), bridge tenders, switch tenders, etc. These counts should be based on the company records as of January 1 of the reported year. The **TOTAL** is a count of all covered employees for all categories combined, i.e., the sum of the column.

Additional information must be completed if your company employs personnel who perform duties covered by the alcohol rules of more than one DOT operating administration. **NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES COVERED BY MORE THAN ONE DOT OPERATING ADMINISTRATION**, requires that you identify the number of employees in each employee category under the appropriate additional operating administration(s).

- Page 3 **ALCOHOL TESTING INFORMATION** (Section C) requires information for alcohol testing by category of testing. All numbers entered into the pre-employment (and transfer to covered service) section of the table should be separated into the category of employment for which the person was applying or transferring. The other categories are for employee testing and require information for company employees in covered positions only. Each part of this table must be completed for each category of testing. These categories include: (1) random testing, (2) return to duty testing, (3) follow-up testing, (4) for cause testing due to accidents/injuries, (5) for cause testing due to rule violations, and (6) reasonable suspicion testing. These numbers do not include refusals for testing. A sample section of the table with example numbers is presented on page iv.
- Four types of information are necessary to complete this table. The first blank column with the heading "NUMBER OF SCREENING TESTS" requires a count of all screening alcohol tests performed for each employee category. It should not include refusals to test. The second blank column with the heading "NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TESTS" requires a count of all confirmation alcohol tests performed for each employee category.
- The third blank column with the heading "NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TEST RESULTS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 0.02, BUT LESS THAN 0.04" requires a count for each employee category.
- The fourth blank column with the heading "NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TEST RESULTS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 0.04" requires a count for each employee category. **Note:** For return to duty testing, a confirmation result equal to or greater than 0.02 is a violation of the alcohol rule. Therefore, if the number of results equal to or greater than 0.04 is unknown, you may report all results in the third column of the table.
- Each column in the table should be added and the answer entered in the row marked "TOTAL".
- A sample table is provided on page iv with example numbers.
- Page 3 At the bottom of the page containing pre-employment testing information is a box with the heading "Number of applicants/transfers denied employment/transfer following an alcohol test indicating an alcohol concentration of 0.04 or greater". Enter the appropriate number in the box provided.
- Page 3 Next, you must provide a count of the "Number of employees who engaged in alcohol misuse who were returned to duty in a covered position (having complied with the recommendations of a substance abuse professional as described in FRA regulations)". This information should be available from the personnel office and/or the drug and alcohol program manager.
- Page 4 **FOR CAUSE TESTING** data are provided in three separate parts of the table -- one for accidents/injuries, one for rules violations, and one for reasonable suspicion. In the top portion of the parts for accidents/injuries and rules violations you must indicate whether the testing was conducted under FRA authority or under railroad authority.

SAMPLE APPLICANT TEST RESULTS TABLE

The following example is for Section C, **ALCOHOL TESTING INFORMATION**, which summarizes pre-employment testing results. The procedures detailed here also apply to the other categories for testing in Section C which require you to summarize testing results for employees. This example will use the categories "Engine Service" and "Train Service" to illustrate the procedures for completing the form.

A Screening tests were performed on 157 job applicants for engine service positions during the reporting year. This information is entered in the first blank column of the table in the row marked "Engine Service".

B Confirmation tests were necessary for 6 of the 157 applicants for engine service positions. Enter this information in the second blank column of the table in the row marked "Engine Service". The confirmation test results for these 6 applicants were the following:

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Confirmation Result</u>
#1	0.06
#2	0.01
#3	0.11
#4	0.04
#5	0.03
#6	0.02

C The confirmation test results for 2 of the applicants for engine service positions were equal to or greater than 0.02, but less than 0.04. Enter this information in the third blank column of the table in the row marked "Engine Service".

D The confirmation test results for 3 of the applicants for engine service positions were equal to or greater than 0.04. Enter this information in the fourth blank column of the table in the row marked "Engine Service".

E The last row, marked "TOTAL", requires you to add the numbers in each of the columns. With this example, 157 applicants for engine service positions and 107 applicants for train service positions were subjected to screening tests. The total for that column would be 264 (i.e., 157 + 107). The same procedure should be used for each column. (i.e., add all the numbers in that column and place the answer in the last row).

Please note that our sample data collection form also has information for train service workers on line two. The same procedures outlined for engine service should be followed for entering the data on train service workers. With applicants for train service positions, 107 screening tests were conducted resulting in 3 confirmation tests. No results were equal to or greater than 0.02, but less than 0.04; the confirmation test result for 1 of the train service applicants was equal to or greater than 0.04. This information is entered in the row marked "Train Service".

Note that adding up the numbers for confirmation results in columns three and four will not always match the number entered in the second column, "NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TESTS". These numbers may differ since some confirmation test results may be less than 0.02.

PRE-EMPLOYMENT				
EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	NUMBER OF SCREENING TESTS	NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TESTS	NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TEST RESULTS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 0.02, BUT LESS THAN 0.04	NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TEST RESULTS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 0.04
Engine Service	157	6	2	3
Train Service	107	3	0	1
TOTAL	264	9	2	4

A
B
C
D
E

Remember that the same procedures indicated above are to be used for completing all of the categories for testing in Section C.

- Page 5 **OTHER ALCOHOL TESTING/PROGRAM INFORMATION** (Section D) requests information on employees tested for drugs and alcohol at the same time and that you complete tables dealing with violations of other alcohol provisions/prohibitions of the regulation and refusals for testing.

- Page 5 **Number of employees administered drug and alcohol tests at the same time resulting in a verified positive drug test and an alcohol test indicating an alcohol concentration of 0.04 or greater**, requires that a count of all such employees be entered in the indicated box.

- Page 5 **VIOLATIONS OF OTHER ALCOHOL PROVISIONS/PROHIBITIONS OF THIS REGULATION** requires supplying the number of covered employees who used alcohol prior to performing a safety-sensitive function, while performing a safety-sensitive function, and before taking a required post-accident alcohol test. The action taken with covered employees who violate any of these FRA alcohol regulation provisions is also to be supplied. Other violations not delineated in this table may also be provided.

- Page 5 **EMPLOYEES WHO REFUSED TO SUBMIT TO AN ALCOHOL TEST** requires a count of the **NUMBER OF COVERED EMPLOYEES** who refused to submit to a **random or non-random** (pre-employment, reasonable suspicion, return to duty, or follow-up) alcohol test required under the FRA regulation.

- Page 5 **ALCOHOL TRAINING/EDUCATION** (Section E) requires information on the number of supervisory personnel who have received the required alcohol training during the current reporting period.

FRA ALCOHOL TESTING MIS DATA COLLECTION FORM OMB No. 2130-0526

YEAR COVERED BY THIS REPORT: 19__

A. RAILROAD EMPLOYER INFORMATION

Company _____

Address _____

I, the undersigned, certify the information provided on the attached Federal Railroad Administration Alcohol Testing Management Information System Data Collection Form is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, correct, and complete for the period stated.

Signature

Title

Date of Signature

Phone Number

Title 18, U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a criminal offense subject to a maximum fine of \$10,000, or imprisonment for not more than 5 years, or both, to knowingly and willfully make or cause to be made any false or fraudulent statements or representations in any matter within the jurisdiction of any agency of the United States. The willful falsification of any information in this report may also subject the submitter to civil or criminal prosecution under Title 45, U.S.C. Section 438(e).

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B. COVERED EMPLOYEES

COVERED EMPLOYEES						
EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	NUMBER OF FRA COVERED EMPLOYEES	NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES COVERED BY MORE THAN ONE DOT OPERATING ADMINISTRATION				
		FAA	FHWA	FTA	RSPA	USCG
Engine Service						
Train Service						
Dispatcher/Operator						
Signal Service						
Other*						
TOTAL						

* Includes yardmasters, hostlers (non-engineer craft), bridge tenders, switch tenders, and other miscellaneous employees performing covered service as defined in 49 CFR 228.5 (c).

READ BEFORE COMPLETING THE REMAINDER OF THIS FORM:

1. All items refer to the **current** reporting period only (for example, January 1, 1994 - December 31, 1994).
2. This report is only for testing **REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION (FRA) AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)**:
 - Results should be reported only for employees in **COVERED POSITIONS** as defined by the FRA alcohol testing regulations.
 - The information requested should only include testing for alcohol using the standard procedures required by DOT regulation 49 CFR Part 40.
3. Information on refusals for testing should only be reported in Section D ["OTHER ALCOHOL TESTING/PROGRAM INFORMATION"]. Do not include refusals for testing in other sections of this report.
4. Complete all items; **DO NOT LEAVE ANY ITEM BLANK**. If the value for an item is zero (0), place a zero (0) on the form.

C. ALCOHOL TESTING INFORMATION

EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	NUMBER OF SCREENING TESTS	NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TESTS	NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TEST RESULTS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 0.02, BUT LESS THAN 0.04	NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TEST RESULTS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 0.04
PRE-EMPLOYMENT				
Engine Service				
Train Service				
Dispatcher/Operator				
Signal Service				
Other				
Total				
RANDOM				
Engine Service				
Train Service				
Dispatcher/Operator				
Signal Service				
Other				
Total				
RETURN TO DUTY				
Engine Service				
Train Service				
Dispatcher/Operator				
Signal Service				
Other				
Total				
FOLLOW-UP				
Engine Service				
Train Service				
Dispatcher/Operator				
Signal Service				
Other				
Total				

Number of applicants/transfers denied employment/transfer following an alcohol test indicating an alcohol concentration of 0.04 or greater:	
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Number of employees who engaged in alcohol misuse who were returned to duty in a covered position (having complied with the recommendations of a substance abuse professional as described in FRA regulations):	
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C. ALCOHOL TESTING INFORMATION (continued)

EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	NUMBER OF SCREENING TESTS	NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TESTS	NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TEST RESULTS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 0.02, BUT LESS THAN 0.04	NUMBER OF CONFIRMATION TEST RESULTS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 0.04
FOR CAUSE ALCOHOL TESTING DUE TO ACCIDENT*/INJURY				
*(Accidents NOT qualifying under 49 CFR Part 219 Subpart C) (Testing Conducted Under: FRA Rule Railroad Rule)				
Engine Service				
Train Service				
Dispatcher/Operator				
Signal Service				
Other				
TOTAL				
DUE TO RULES VIOLATION				
(Testing Conducted Under: FRA Rule Railroad Rule)				
Engine Service				
Train Service				
Dispatcher/Operator				
Signal Service				
Other				
TOTAL				
REASONABLE SUSPICION				
Engine Service				
Train Service				
Dispatcher/Operator				
Signal Service				
Other				
TOTAL				

D. OTHER ALCOHOL TESTING/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Number of employees administered drug and alcohol tests at the same time resulting in a verified positive drug test and an alcohol test indicating an alcohol concentration of 0.04 or greater:	
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VIOLATIONS OF OTHER ALCOHOL PROVISIONS/PROHIBITIONS OF THIS REGULATION		
NUMBER OF COVERED EMPLOYEES	VIOLATION	ACTION TAKEN
	Covered employee used alcohol while performing safety-sensitive function.	
	Covered employee used alcohol within 4 hours of performing safety-sensitive function.	
	Covered employee used alcohol before taking a required post-accident alcohol test.	

EMPLOYEES WHO REFUSED TO SUBMIT TO AN ALCOHOL TEST	Number
Covered employees who refused to submit to a random alcohol test required under the FRA regulation:	
Covered employees who refused to submit to a non-random alcohol test required under the FRA regulation:	

E. ALCOHOL TRAINING/EDUCATION

TRAINING DURING CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD	Number
Supervisory personnel who have received initial training on the specific contemporaneous physical, behavioral, and performance indicators of probable alcohol use as required by FRA alcohol testing regulations:	

**APPENDIX D 4 - ALCOHOL TESTING MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (MIS) "EZ"
DATA COLLECTION FORM**

INSTRUCTIONS

The following instructions are to be used as a guide for completing the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) **Alcohol Testing MIS "EZ" Data Collection Form**. This form should only be used if there is **no alcohol misuse** to be reported by your company. These instructions outline and explain the information requested and indicate the probable sources for this information. This reporting form includes three sections. These sections address the data elements required in the FRA and the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) alcohol testing regulations.

SECTION A - RAILROAD EMPLOYER INFORMATION requires the company name for which the report is done and a current address. Below this, a signature, date, and current telephone (including the area code) are required certifying the correctness and completeness of the form.

SECTION B - COVERED EMPLOYEES requires a count for each Hours of Service Act employee category that must be tested under FRA regulations. The categories are: "Engine Service", "Train Service", "Dispatcher/Operator", "Signal Service", and "Other." The **OTHER** category is a count of employees performing covered service that are not included in specific preceding categories. Examples include yardmasters, hostlers (non-engineer craft), bridge tenders, switch tenders, etc. These counts should be based on the company records as of January 1 of the reported year. The **TOTAL** is a count of **all** covered employees for **all** categories combined, i.e., the sum of the column.

Additional information must be completed if your company employs personnel who perform duties covered by the alcohol rules of more than one DOT operating administration. **NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES COVERED BY MORE THAN ONE DOT OPERATING ADMINISTRATION**, requires that you identify the number of employees in each employee category under the appropriate additional operating administration(s).

SECTION C - ALCOHOL TESTING INFORMATION requires information for alcohol testing, refusal^s for testing, and training/education. The first table requests information on the **NUMBER OF ALCOHOL SCREENING TESTS CONDUCTED** in each category for testing. All numbers entered into the pre-employment (and transfer to covered service) section of the table should be separated into the category of employment for which the person was applying or transferring. The other categories are for employee testing and require information for employees in **covered positions** only. Enter the number of alcohol screening tests conducted by employee category for each category of testing. Testing categories include: (1) random, (2) for cause testing due to accidents/injuries, (3) for cause testing due to rule violations, (4) reasonable suspicion, (5) return to duty, and (6) follow-up. Each column in the table should be added and the answer entered in the row marked "TOTAL".

Following the table that summarizes **ALCOHOL TESTING INFORMATION**, you must provide a count of **employees who engaged in alcohol misuse who were returned to duty in a covered position (having complied with the recommendations of a substance abuse professional as described in FRA regulations)**. This information should be available from the personnel office and/or alcohol program manager.

EMPLOYEES WHO REFUSED TO SUBMIT TO AN ALCOHOL TEST requires a count of the **NUMBER OF COVERED EMPLOYEES** who refused to submit to a **random** or **non-random** (pre-employment, reasonable suspicion, return to duty, follow-up, or for cause testing) alcohol test required under the FRA regulation.

ALCOHOL TRAINING/EDUCATION DURING CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD requires information on the number of supervisory personnel who have received alcohol training during the current reporting period.

FRA ALCOHOL TESTING MIS "EZ" DATA COLLECTION FORM OMB No. 2130-0526
(No Alcohol Misuse)

YEAR COVERED BY THIS REPORT: 19__

A. RAILROAD EMPLOYER INFORMATION

Company _____
Address _____

I, the undersigned, certify the information provided on the attached Federal Railroad Administration Alcohol Testing Management Information System "EZ" Data Collection Form is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, correct, and complete for the period stated.

Signature

Title

Date of Signature

Phone Number

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B. COVERED EMPLOYEES

COVERED EMPLOYEES						
EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	NUMBER OF FRA COVERED EMPLOYEES	NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES COVERED BY MORE THAN ONE DOT OPERATING ADMINISTRATION				
		FAA	FHWA	FTA	RSPA	USCG
Engine Service						
Train Service						
Dispatcher/Operator						
Signal Service						
Other*						
TOTAL						

* Includes yardmasters, hostlers (non-engineer craft), bridge tenders, switch tenders, and other miscellaneous employees performing covered service as defined in 49 CFR 228.5 (c).

C. ALCOHOL TESTING INFORMATION

NUMBER OF ALCOHOL SCREENING TESTS CONDUCTED							
EMPLOYEE CATEGORY	PRE-EMPLOYMENT	RANDOM	FOR CAUSE Accident/Injury Testing Conducted Under Rule: FRA ___ Railroad ___	FOR CAUSE Rules Violation Testing Conducted Under Rule: FRA ___ Railroad ___	REASONABLE SUSPICION	RETURN TO DUTY	FOLLOW-UP
Engine Service							
Train Service							
Dispatcher/Operator							
Signal Service							
Other							
Total							
Number of employees who engaged in alcohol misuse who were returned to duty in a covered position (having complied with the recommendations of a substance abuse professional as described in FRA regulations):							
EMPLOYEES WHO REFUSED TO SUBMIT TO AN ALCOHOL TEST							Number
Covered employees who refused to submit to a random alcohol test required under the FRA regulation:							
Covered employees who refused to submit to a non-random alcohol test required under the FRA regulation:							
ALCOHOL TRAINING/EDUCATION DURING CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD							Number
Supervisory personnel who have received initial training on the specific contemporaneous physical, behavioral, and performance indicators of probable alcohol use as required by FRA alcohol testing regulations:							