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► 49 CFR Part 229.121 Locomotive Cab Noise				Date:
49 CFR Part -	Criteria examined	Yes	No	Comments
§ 229.121(a)(1)	Has the railroad properly verified or tested the level of static noise in locomotive cabs? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Request copies of certification letters and procedures used to do measurements and verify compliance.</li> </ul>			<b>Defect Code - 229-121-A1</b> Failure of locomotive manufactured after October 29, 2007, to meet sound level.
§ 229.121(a)(2)	Has the railroad modified or altered any locomotives built after October 29, 2007? Has the railroad tested the level of static noise in locomotive cabs to verify the modifications have not resulted in excessive levels? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Request copies of locomotive maintenance records to determine if the railroad modified or altered any covered locomotives.</li> <li>◇ Request copies of procedures used to do measurements and verify compliance.</li> <li>◇ Interview employees and representatives about any modifications and perceived changes in noise levels.</li> </ul>			<b>Defect Code - 229-121-A2</b> Improper maintenance alterations to locomotive causing average sound levels to exceed specifications.
§ 229.121(a)(3)	Has the railroad tested the level of static noise in locomotive cabs in compliance with appendix H? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Request copies of procedures used to do measurements and verify compliance.</li> </ul>			<b>Defect Code - 229-121-A3</b> Failure to comply with static test protocols set forth in appendix H.
§ 229.121(b)(1)	Has the railroad made appropriate repairs to items identified within the time frames specified? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Request copies of excessive noise reports, railroad's maintenance procedures and identify the intervals used to do the specific repairs identified in the excessive noise reports.</li> <li>◇ Rely on expertise of MP&amp;E Inspectors providing assistance.</li> <li>◇ Refer to 229.121(b)(2) below for a list of the most common items.</li> </ul>			<b>Defect Code - 229-121-B1</b> Failure to maintain an excessive noise report and/or repair or replacement of item identified as contributing to the noise as required.
§ 229.121(b)(2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The intent of this section is to identify the most common repair items that, if not maintained properly, can lead to excessive noise reports. Most can be repaired relatively quickly.</li> </ul>			

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§ 229.121(b)(3)	<p>Has the railroad made appropriate repairs to items identified within the time frames specified?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Request copies of excessive noise reports, railroad's maintenance procedures and identify the intervals used to do the specific repairs identified in the excessive noise reports.</li> <li>◇ Rely on expertise of MP&amp;E Inspectors providing assistance.</li> <li>◇ Refer to 229.121(b)(2) above for a list of the most common items.</li> </ul>			<p><b>Defect Code - 229-121-B3</b> Failure to respond to an excessive noise report filed by locomotive cab occupant in good faith as required.</p>
§ 229.121(b)(4)	<p>Does the railroad have an appropriate record keeping system that tracks complaints and the repairs done to address them?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Does the system track times as well as what was done?</li> <li>◇ Request copies of excessive noise reports, railroad's maintenance procedures and the records that are used for tracking and resolving the excessive noise reports.</li> <li>◇ Rely on expertise of MP&amp;E Inspectors providing assistance.</li> <li>◇ If the system is electronic, determine if any changes to records are tracked in a traceable manner.</li> </ul>			<p><b>Defect Code - 229-121-B4</b> Failure to maintain written or electronic records as required</p>