

**ISM – RIF Quality Assurance Committee
Telephone Conference - Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2003**

A meeting of the ISM – QAC was held at 11:00 am ET September 12, 2003 via telephone conference for the purpose of reviewing subcommittee activities and any RSI Conference issues prior to the meeting in Chicago.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Martin Quintal opened and called the meeting to order.

ATTENDEES: The following members or participants were in attendance: Martin Quintal, Bill Legant, Mark Lumadue, Karen Parsons, and Terry Schindler. Bill Smith and Jon Endrason were also in attendance.

ANTI-TRUST STATEMENT: Following a roll call of participants, Chairman Quintal requested Bill Smith read the Anti-trust Disclaimer statement and reminded all participants of their responsibilities.

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE LINE: Thanks to CP Rail for the conference bridge arrangements.

FUTURE OF THE QAC: Chairman Quintal indicated that he had spoken to Mr. Rodney Doerr with the Union Pacific Railroad regarding Mr. Luigi Armano's request that he consider becoming involved and serving as a representative on the Executive Board which would greatly enhance class 1 railroad participation. Mr. Quintal asked if any members on the call had had the opportunity to visit with their vice presidents about their respective railroads' support of our committee. Unfortunately no one has had an opportunity to follow-up on this item as of yet.

MEMBERSHIP: No new business or committee update.

WARRANTY WORKING GROUP: Bill Smith and Jon Endrason were in attendance to update the committee on the Warranty Working sub-committees efforts to develop a standard for bar code identification of railroad industry components based upon an original request from the RIF-QAC.

Pat Ameen with the AAR has indicated to Bill Smith that the specification will be out in Circular Letter format for a 30-day public review and comments shortly.

A copy of a short presentation recapping the critical elements of the groups' efforts is available on the ISM-RIF web site in addition to the Spec2000 document. The final meeting will take place face-to-face in November in Huntsville, AL.

Jon Endrason discussed the fact that there is an Aerospace and Industrial Symposium in Chicago the week of September 15th at which Bill Smith is going to be a key participant on one of the discussion panels. It was worthy noting that this is the first time that a railroad industry member has been actively involved. This symposium involves evolving technologies in bar coding, magnetic stripes, and front line solutions.

RSI – QAC CONFERENCE PLANNING: Brian Blackwell was not available to provide an update on the upcoming conference.

Chairman Quintal requests all members who are available join him for an Informal Meeting on Wednesday September 24, 2003 at 9:00 am. Please meet him and other committee members at the registration booth at the Hilton. We will then adjourn to the restaurant on the 1st floor of the Hilton for coffee and discussion.

POLICY: No new business or committee update.

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REGISTRY UPDATE: No new business or committee update.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business items were presented at the meeting.

NEXT MEETING: The next Committee Teleconference Call will be held on **October 24th** at **11:00 ET**.
The teleconference bridge number will be 1-800-565-5185 with identification passcode 149714#.

An agenda will be furnished in advance by Chairman Quintal.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:45 ET.

Submitted by: Terry L. Schindler