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RE: Change in UPRR Free Time Calculation Process

To All Pacer Stacktrain Customers:

Please see below the announcement from the Union Pacific Railroad regarding a change to their free time calculation. This change is effective August 1, 2003. All Pacer Stacktrain equipment moving on the UPRR is affected and will be charged in accordance with the new policy.

Simplification of our Free Time Calculation Process
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On May 1, 2001, Union Pacific changed the start time for calculating storage and detention free time from 5:00 PM to 23:59 PM. This change was done based on feedback received by our customers that the 5:00 PM start time was causing congestion at the ramp and extra days of storage while attempting to pull units from the ramp at 5:00 PM.

Our intention was to provide 48 hours of free time for storage following notification with a start time that would be more realistic than 5:00 PM. After the change was made, it was discovered that the 23:59 PM start time actually caused us to grant an additional day of storage/detention on containers notified on Saturday or Sunday since the 48 hours of free time did not expire until 23:59 PM on Wednesday, which in effect was 72 hours of free time. This change also affected containers notified on Wednesday. The 23:59 start time requires containers notified on Wednesday to be pulled prior to 23:59 PM on Friday or charges will accrue throughout the weekend. As the intent was day of notify plus 48 hours, Wednesday notifications should have until Sunday night before charges accrue.

Because of these two situations, effective August 1, 2003, Union Pacific will change the start time for calculating storage and detention free time from 23:59 PM to 12:01 AM. The original intent of notify day plus 48 hours will be realized. This change in

start time will simplify the process of calculating free time and correct the additional day of free time that has been granted for over two years on Saturday and Sunday notifications.

Please communicate this change to all appropriate personnel and drayage partners. If you have any questions regarding this announcement, please contact your local Pacer Stacktrain representative for assistance.