

#### TACOMA MUNICIPAL BELT LINE RAILWAY

#### FREIGHT TARIFF TMBL 6004-E

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## NAMING DEMURRAGE RULES AND CHARGES

# APPLYING AT ALL LOCATIONS ON THE TACOMA MUNICIPAL BELT LINE RAILWAY (TMBL)

This tariff is also applicable on export, import, interstate and intrastate traffic; except where expressly provided to the contrary in connection with particular items.

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ITEM	SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION
1	CANCELATION NOTICE:
	This tariff cancels tariff FT TMBL 6004-B, including all previous supplements, as of the effective date of this tariff. Provisions not carried forward are hereby cancelled.
2	CHANGE IN PROVISIONS OF TARIFF:
	Tacoma Rail reserves the right at any time to change the provisions of this publication; provided, however, any such change shall be effective only with regard to any transportation services provided under the publication for freight tendered after the effective date of the changes. Tacoma Rail will make available on its web site this publication in the latest amended form. Shipper(s) should review this publication before tendering freight to Tacoma Rail. Revisions to this publication will be made from time to time by reissuing the publication in its entirety. Notification via email and / or US mail will be sent to notify customers of updates and changes. There will be only one supplement to this tariff in effect at any time. Any item contained in a prior supplement will be brought forward to subsequent supplements. Charges published herein are subject to increase by republication.
5	PARTICIPATING CARRIERS:
	TACOMA MUNICIPAL BELT LINE RAILWAY Abbreviation: TMBL
	Provisions of this tariff apply to all stations of the above carriers, except when an item refers to only specific carriers or stations.
10	REFERENCE TO TARIFFS, ITEMS, NOTES, RULES, ETC.
	This publication is available on the Internet for viewing or printing at <a href="www.tacomarail.com">www.tacomarail.com</a> . All customers shipping with Tacoma Rail should review the publications posted on the website before tendering freight to or from the railroad as revisions to the publications will be made from time to time by supplement or reissuing the publications in its entirety.
	If you are not equipped to obtain a copy of this publication from Tacoma Rail's web site, a hard copy will be mailed to you, provided you furnish, to the address shown below, a formal written request for a printed copy specifying the specific tariff number. This formal request is required on an annual basis in accordance with the Surface Transportation Board's policy decision under Ex Parte 528, Disclosure, Publication and Notice of Change of Rates and Other Service Terms for Rail Common Carriage.
	An administration fee of \$25.00 will be assessed for those who wish to receive a hard copy.
	Tacoma Rail Attn: Demurrage Administration – Tariff Requests 509 North Frontage Road Tacoma, WA 98421
	Where reference is made in this tariff to other tariffs, items, notes, rules, etc.; such references are continuous and include supplements to and successive issues of such tariffs, and reissues of such items, notes, rules, etc.
	The Surface Transportation Board (STB) decision amends the Code of Federal Regulations Title 49 to indicate that any person receiving railcars from a rail carrier, for loading or unloading in the United States, may be held responsible for asset use charges. Examples of such "person" include warehouses,

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distribution centers, care of parties, third parties, Ports, etc. As set forth in Appendix A to the decision, the regulations (49 C.F.R. 1333) provide that:

"Any person receiving rail cars from a rail carrier for loading or unloading who detains the cars beyond the period of free time set forth in the governing demurrage tariff may be held liable for demurrage if the carrier has provided that person with actual notice of the demurrage tariff providing for such liability prior to the placement of rail cars. The notice required by this section shall be in written or electronic form."

The decision is available for review on the STB's website: <a href="http://www.stb.dot.gov">http://www.stb.dot.gov</a>

#### 20 STATION LISTS AND CONDITIONS

This tariff is governed by the Official List of Open and Prepay Railroad Stations, OPSL 6000 series, to the extent shown below:

#### PREPAY REQUIREMENTS AND STATION CONDITIONS

For additions and abandonment of stations, and except as otherwise shown herein, for prepay requirements, changes in the names of stations, restrictions as to the acceptance or delivery of freight and changes in station facilities. When a station is abandoned as of a date specified in the above named tariff, the rates from and to that station published in this tariff are inapplicable on or after that date.

#### 30 CONSECUTIVE NUMBERS

Where consecutive numbers are represented in this tariff by the first and last numbers connected by the word "to" or a hyphen, they will be understood to include both the numbers shown.

#### 40 CAPACITIES AND DIMENSIONS OF RAILCARS

For marked capacities, lengths, dimensions and cubical capacities of railcars, refer to The Official Railway Equipment Register published quarterly by the R.E.R. Publishing Corporation.

#### 50 NATIONAL SERVICE ORDER TARIFF

This tariff is subject to the provisions of the various Surface Transportation Board Service Orders and General Permits as shown in National Service Order Tariff STB NSO 6100 series.

#### 60 CURRENCY & PAYMENT TERMS

Charges published herein are stated in United States Dollars. Charges that accrue per this tariff are due and payable 30 days from date of invoice. ACH is the preferred method of payment. Please contact demurrage administrator for current ACH banking information.

#### 85 TRANSPORTATION

Tacoma Rail agrees to transport shipments with reasonable dispatch according to a pre-determined service schedule. Bunching and run around will not be considered railroad error and no allowance will be made.

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Applicable at all points/stations on Tacoma Rail (TMBL) for all railcars constructively or actually placed on or after the effective date of this tariff.

Rates in this tariff apply in addition to otherwise applicable freight charges lawfully published or on file, and shall accrue solely to the carrier participating in this tariff. This publication takes precedence over any other domestic interstate, intrastate, export or import publication containing rules, regulations and charges on demurrage for the account of Tacoma Rail.

The disposition of a railcar at its point of detention determines the purpose for which the railcar is held and the demurrage rules to be applied. Railcars subject to demurrage will fall into one of the following transaction types:

- Railcars held for loading See Item 210
- Railcars held for unloading See Item 220
- Railroad cars held for other purposes See Item 230
- Empty railcars ordered and not used See Item 240
- Private railcars held on railroad tracks See Item 250
- Refused loaded railcars and railcars rejected as being unsuitable for loading See Item 260

Demurrage will be calculated each calendar month for railcars released during the month.

#### 100 RAILCARS SUBJECT TO DEMURRAGE

This applies to all customers served by Tacoma Rail and covers all railroad and private marked freight railcars(s), including idler railcars, delivered or held for or by customer(s) **EXCEPT as follows**:

- **A.** Railcars for loading or unloading of Tacoma Rail company material while held on Tacoma Rail tracks or private sidings of carrier.
- **B.** Railcars covered by separate storage agreement.
- C. Railcars of railroad ownership, leased for storage of commodities, while held on lessee's tracks.
- **D.** Loaded or empty private railcars on private owned or leased tracks.
- **E.** Railcars used for the purpose of testing loading or unloading procedures, new types of dunnage, or new types of equipment, as authorized by Tacoma Rail.
- **F.** All uni-level, bi-level and/or tri-level railcars used in the transportation of motor vehicles.
- **G.** Railcars used for shipment of containers or trailers on flat cars (TOFC/COFC).
- **H.** Empty railcars ordered and rejected as unsuitable for loading after 48 hours following order date, constructive placement date, or actual placement date.
- **I.** The time period in which railcars are deemed under repair after interchange and before tender.

#### 110 NOTIFICATION PROVIDED BY TACOMA RAIL TO CUSTOMER

Daily: Notification will be given either electronically, verbally, or in writing, and will contain the following information at a minimum:

- Railcar initials and number
- Commodity

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- Location
- Date and time of interchange

#### 120 NOTIFICATION PROVIDED BY CUSTOMER TO TACOMA RAIL

Tacoma Rail personnel and/or electronic systems are on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to receive forwarding instructions, empty release information, or other disposition of railcars. Notification may be provided via internet, fax or telephone. The notification date and time is recorded and will govern any applicable demurrage charges.

Notice may be provided to Tacoma Rail as follows:

- Preferred method of contact is by internet at: http://www.tacomarail.com
- **2.** Alternative method of contact is by fax at: 253-922-5679
- **3.** As a last resort, contact may also be made by telephone at: 253-396-3290

Tacoma Rail records will govern all disputes for telephone communication. It is recommended that all phone requests be followed up with a fax.

When a customer releases a railcar, all doors must be secured, all dock plates removed, all hoses, chutes, or pipes removed, all chains tied or removed, all banding removed and railcar is in general working order. If, upon inspection by Tacoma Rail personnel, this is not done, the railcar will not be considered released for demurrage purposes. A release of the railcar will be interpreted as confirmation that the railcar is safe and in proper position to move by Tacoma Rail train crews.

#### 130 EARLY RELEASE OF RAILCAR PLACED FOR LOADING OR UNLOADING

When Tacoma Rail receives notification that a railcar is ready to be released and Tacoma Rail is unable to remove the railcar(s) because the loading or unloading of the railcar(s) has not been completed, or for other reasons not attributable to Tacoma Rail, the railcar(s) will remain on demurrage as if the release had not been instructed.

#### 140 DEMURRAGE ADMINISTRATOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Email: kjackson@cityoftacoma.org or the latest email available at www.tacomarail.com

Fax: 253-396-3160 Mail: Tacoma Rail

Attn: Demurrage Administration – Tariff Requests

509 North Frontage Road Tacoma, WA 98421

#### 150 DEMURRAGE PLAN SELECTION

All customers default to Demurrage Plan 1 - Mixed. Demurrage plan changes can be made through notification to the Demurrage Administrator more than twenty (20) days prior to the beginning of a month in which the new plan is to take effect. Only one demurrage plan will be active during any given month. The active demurrage plan is applied to railcars on railroad receipt.

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ITEM	SECTION 2: GENERAL DEMURRAGE RULES							
210	RAILCARS HELD FOR LOADING							
	COMPUTATION: Demurrage time will be computed from the first 8:00 am after tender until release.							
	TENDER: Railcars are considered tendered to the customer upon either notification, actual placement, or constructive placement of an empty railcar(s).							
	RELEASE: The date and time forwarding instructions are received by Tacoma Rail, will constitute an Operational Release and a Demurrage Release.							
	Railcars found to be improperly loaded or overloaded will not be considered released until the loa been adjusted properly.							
	When the same railcar is unloaded and reloaded, empty release information must be furnished. On reloaded railcars, time will be computed from the first 8:00 am after notification is received that the railcar is empty until released as a load. If not furnished, demurrage will continue until forwarding instructions are received.							
	CREDITS: Two (2) credits will be allowed for each railcar.							
220	RAILCARS HELD FOR UNLOADING							
	COMPUTATION: Demurrage time will be computed from the first 8:00 am after tender until release.							
	TENDER: Railcars are considered tendered to the customer upon either notification, actual placement, or constructive placement of an empty railcar(s).							
	RELEASE: The date and time forwarding instructions are received by Tacoma Rail will constitute an Operational Release and a Demurrage Release.							
	In order for a railcar to be considered empty, all dunnage and packing material must be removed from the car, all load securing devices must be properly stored and all doors, gates, and hatches must be closed and secured.							
	CREDITS: Three (3) credits will be allowed for each railcar.							
230	RAILCARS HELD FOR OTHER PURPOSES							
	Applicable to railcars held:							
	On orders of Tacoma Rail's customer.							
	While awaiting disposition from Tacoma Rail's customer.							
	As a result of conditions attributable to Tacoma Rail's customer.							
	COMPUTATION: Demurrage time will be computed from the first 8:00 am after tender until release.							
	After tender until release on railcars including, but not limited to:							
	Railcars held empty for loading, ordered, and not used (other than rejected railcar(s)							
	<ul> <li>Diverted, reshipped, re-consigned, stopped in transit, or partially unloaded</li> </ul>							
	<ul> <li>Railcars held awaiting payment of accrued charges at origin or destination</li> </ul>							
	Railcars held for official grading or inspection							
	<ul> <li>Railcar(s) held for any other purpose, except as covered in items 210, 220, 240, 250 and 260, not attributable to Tacoma Rail.</li> </ul>							

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- After railcars are received by Tacoma Rail until date of disposition on:
  - Railcars received from connecting carriers.
  - Private railcars returned to railroad tracks.

TENDER: Railcars are considered tendered to the customer upon either notification, actual placement, or constructive placement of a railcar(s).

RELEASE: The date and time forwarding instructions are received by Tacoma Rail will constitute an Operational Release and a Demurrage Release.

CREDITS: No credits will be allowed.

#### 240 RAILCARS HELD FOR LOADING AND NOT USED

This item does not apply to empty railcars rejected by customer as unfit for loading, provided Tacoma Rail has been notified within 24 hours of tender (see item 260).

COMPUTATION: Time will be computed from the first 8:00 am after tender until release.

TENDER: Railcars are considered tendered to the customer upon either notification, actual placement, or constructive placement of an empty railcar(s).

RELEASE: The date and time forwarding instructions are received by Tacoma Rail will constitute an Operational Release and a Demurrage Release.

CREDITS: No credits will be allowed.

#### 250 PRIVATE RAILCARS HELD FOR LOADING ON RAILROAD TRACKS

COMPUTATION: Time will be computed from the first 8:00 am after tender until placement upon private tracks.

TENDER: Railcars are tendered upon constructive placement of a railcar on track owned or leased by Tacoma Rail and not considered private track.

RELEASE: Placement of railcar on private track will constitute a Demurrage Release.

CREDITS: Two (2) credits will be allowed for each railcar.

#### 255 PRIVATE RAILCARS HELD FOR UNLOADING ON RAILROAD TRACKS

COMPUTATION: Time will be computed from the first 8:00 am after tender until placement upon private tracks.

TENDER: Railcars are tendered upon constructive placement of a railcar on track owned or leased by Tacoma Rail and not considered private track.

RELEASE: Placement of railcar on private track will constitute a Demurrage Release.

CREDITS: Two (2) credits will be allowed for each railcar.

#### 260 REFUSED LOADED RAILCARS AND RAILCARS REJECTED AS BEING UNSUITABLE FOR LOADING

COMPUTATION: Time will be computed from the first 8:00 am after tender until release. Release notification must be provided within one (1) demurrage day, otherwise item 210 or item 220 applies.

TENDER: Railcars are considered tendered to the customer upon either notification, actual placement, or constructive placement of an empty railcar(s).

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RELEASE: The date and time forwarding instructions are received by Tacoma Rail will constitute an Operational Release and a Demurrage Release.

CREDITS: One (1) credit will be allowed for each railcar.

#### ITEM SECTION 3: DEMURRAGE PLAN 1 – MIXED – APPLICATION & CHARGES

#### 300 APPLICATION

This Section applies as the default demurrage plan. It can apply to both Order In or Spot on Arrival customers.

Except where otherwise provided herein, Demurrage Charges contained in this section apply to all railroad or privately owned or controlled railcars held by or for Tacoma Rail customers for any purpose.

#### 310 DEMURRAGE PLAN AND PRICES

Settlement of charges will be made on a monthly basis on all railcars released during each calendar month. Demurrage will be assessed at the rate of \$70.00 per demurrage day.

Demurrage on all railcars will be assessed against the customer located on Tacoma Rail and depending upon the railcar's disposition. The customer shall be solely responsible for payment of charges. Any redistribution of the costs to third parties shall be the responsibility of Tacoma Rail's customer.

The demurrage rate in effect on a railcar's release date will be used in calculating demurrage.

Credits earned and demurrage days accrued by customers having facilities at separate stations cannot be combined.

#### **APPLICABLE CREDITS:**

Credits earned and demurrage days accrued will be calculated separately for the following transactions:

- 1. Railcars held for loading (Item 210)
- 2. Railcars held for unloading (Item 220)
- 3. Railcars held for other purposes (Item 230)
- 4. Railcars held for loading and not used (Item 240)
- 5. Private railcars held on railroad tracks (Item 250)
- 6. Refused loaded railcars and railcars rejected as being unsuitable for loading (Item 260)

If rail service is three (3) days or less per week (Sunday – Saturday) one extra credit will be provided above the standard demurrage credit.

Excess credits earned for one demurrage transaction cannot be used to offset demurrage days on another type of demurrage transaction. Excess credits earned in one calendar month may not be used to offset demurrage days in another calendar month. Excess credits earned cannot be used to offset demurrage between loading and unloading demurrage days.

#### **CALCULATION OF CHARGES:**

- Total demurrage days for all railcars released will be added to determine total demurrage days.
- 2. Total credits for all railcars released will be added, including credits for Sundays, holidays and extra credits granted for missed switches or other reasons authorized by Tacoma Rail.

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- 3. If total credits exceed total demurrage days, demurrage charges will not be assessed.
- 4. If total demurrage days exceed the total credits, calculation of charges will be made as follows:
  - a. Subtract number of total credits from total demurrage days to determine chargeable days.
  - b. The number of chargeable days will be assessed \$70.00 per day.

# APPLICATION APPLICATION This Section applies when customer chooses Demurrage Plan 2 – Straight Demurrage. The Straight Demurrage plan is only applicable to Order In customers. Except where otherwise provided herein, Demurrage Charges contained in this section apply to all railroad or privately owned or controlled railcars held by or for Tacoma Rail customers for any purpose.

#### 410 DEMURRAGE PLAN AND PRICES

Settlement of charges will be made on a monthly basis on all railcars released during each calendar month. Demurrage will be assessed at the rate of \$70.00 per demurrage day.

Demurrage on all railcars will be assessed against the customer located on Tacoma Rail and depending upon the railcar's disposition. The customer shall be solely responsible for payment of charges. Redistribution of the costs to third parties shall be the responsibility of Tacoma Rail's customer.

The demurrage rate in effect on a railcar's release date will be used in calculating demurrage. Credits earned and demurrage days accrued by customers having facilities at separate stations cannot be combined.

#### **APPLICABLE CREDITS:**

Credits earned and demurrage days accrued will be calculated separately for each railcar under the following transactions:

- 1. Railcars held for loading (Item 210)
- 2. Railcars held for unloading (Item 220)
- 3. Railcars held for other purposes (Item 230)
- 4. Railcars held for loading and not used (Item 240)
- 5. Private railcars held on railroad tracks (Item 250)
- 6. Refused loaded railcars and railcars rejected as being unsuitable for loading (Item 260)

If rail service is three (3) days or less per week (Sunday – Saturday) one extra credit will be provided above the standard demurrage credit.

#### CALCULATION OF CHARGES:

- 1. Demurrage days for each railcar released will be offset by applicable credits per railcar.
- 2. If credits exceed demurrage days for each railcar released, demurrage charges will not be assessed.
- 3. If demurrage days for any railcar exceeds its credits, calculation of charges will be made as follows:

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- a. Subtract number of credits from demurrage days to determine chargeable days for each railcar.
- b. The number of chargeable days will be assessed at \$70.00 each.

#### ITEM SECTION 5: DEMURRAGE DISPUTES AND PERMISSIBLE RELIEF

#### 800 APPLICATION

This Section applies to both Section 3 and Section 4 demurrage plans and prices.

#### 810 DEMURRAGE CLAIM DISPUTES & CLAIM HANDLING

In the event that a customer disputes demurrage charges received in an invoice, the following procedures must be followed in order to be granted relief:

- 1. The claim must be presented to Tacoma Rail, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the invoice billing date with supporting documentation. If a dispute is not received within this time, the bill will be considered valid and must be paid by the invoice due date. Claims filed after this date will be declined.
- 2. The dispute must be specific in nature, identifying contested railcars or groups of railcars by initial, number, and location. Also, the claim must fully state the conditions for which relief is claimed and must be related to time of actual or constructive placement, release, or application of the rules contained in this tariff.
- 3. The dispute is required to be submitted on the approved Tacoma Rail form contained in this tariff, and submitted by email, letter or fax to the demurrage administrator.
- 4. Customer must pay the entire invoiced amount by the due date to avoid late penalties.
- **5.** Tacoma Rail will respond within 30 days of dispute receipt. If the dispute is invalid, Tacoma Rail will supply supporting documentation. If the dispute is found to be valid, or Tacoma Rail fails to respond in 30 days, credits will be issued.

#### 820 CREDITS PERMISSIBLE FOR RELIEF OF DEMURRAGE CHARGES

In order to be allowed relief as indicated, the proper documentation must be submitted to Tacoma Rail thirty (30) days from the issue date of the invoice in question. Disputes filed after thirty (30) days will be declined. The dispute must contain a comprehensive explanation of why relief is claimed.

- Railroad Error: If, through railroad error, demurrage charges are assessed, demurrage will be adjusted to the amount that would have accrued but for such error. Run around and bunching of cars will not be considered as a railroad error.
- Weather Interference: In situations where Tacoma Rail is precluded from reaching customer's siding/facility due to ACTS of GOD, including but not limited to: earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, heavy snow, or other severe weather or climatic conditions, and the operations of Tacoma Rail are disrupted, demurrage will be waived, provided the disruption exceeds two (2) days in duration.
- 3. Strike Interference: When it is impossible to load or unload or receive cars from or make cars available to Tacoma Rail because of strike interference, at the point where the loading or unloading is to be accomplished, demurrage days will be charged at the rate of \$30.00 per day during the period of strike interference, provided:
  - a. The disruption exceeds five (5) days in duration during one calendar month.

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- b. The provisions of this item will not apply to:
  - Railcars for unloading when waybills are dated four (4) days after the beginning
    of strike interference.
  - Railcars for loading when ordered after the beginning and prior to the ending of strike interference.
- 4. Switching Delays: Credit(s) will be calculated and applicable for missed switches and late switches. Late switch credits will be applicable for railcars actually placed on the order day requested. Switch requests must be submitted by 1:00 pm the prior day in order to qualify for a Switching Delay. Missed switch credits will be applicable to all demurrage tendered railcars for all day(s) after the requested placement order day, but not including the day for which the railcar is actually placed.

#### 830 CREDITS NOT PERMISSIBLE FOR RELIEF OF DEMURRAGE CHARGES

In order to be allowed relief, proper documentation must be submitted to Tacoma Rail within thirty (30) days of the issue date of the invoice in question. The dispute must contain a comprehensive explanation of why relief is claimed. The following items do not qualify for relief:

- 1. Spot on arrival customers allow Tacoma Rail to choose which cars to spot to their industry based upon available capacity; therefore, credits will not be warranted when newer cars are spotted ahead of older cars.
- 2. If, for any reason, a customer's facility / siding is in disrepair, not cleared of ice, snow, or other debris and if for any reason whatsoever, or in the event of a labor strike, Tacoma Rail is unable to perform switching to/from the customer's siding no relief of demurrage is warranted.
- 3. Disputes filed after thirty (30) days.

#### ITEM SECTION 6: GLOSSARY, ABBREVIATIONS & REFERENCE

#### 900 GLOSSARY OF TERMS

The following definitions define and govern the provisions outlined in this tariff.

ACT OF GOD – An act occasioned by violence of nature which no reasonable human foresight, care, or diligence can anticipate or prevent.

ACTUAL PLACEMENT – When a railcar is placed in an accessible position for loading or unloading, or at a point designated by the shipper, consignor, consignee, or party loading or unloading the railcar.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RAILROADS (AAR) – An industry sponsored organization whose primary purpose is to set standards and rules for the North American Railroad Industry.

ASSIGNED RAILCAR(S) – The assignment of a railcar(s) to a given shipper at a specific location as defined in AAR Car Service Rule 16 and AAR Car Hire Rule 22 as published in the Official Railway Equipment Register (ORER).

BILL OF LADING – A carrier's contract and receipt for goods specifying that the carrier has received certain goods which it agrees to transport from one place to another, and to deliver to a designated person or assignee for such compensation and upon such conditions as are specified therein. Ladings are designated "Straight" and "Order Specify."

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BUNCHING – The accumulation and tender of railcars for loading or unloading, in excess of orders, shipped on different days contrary to customer's schedule. Since Tacoma Rail does not control the flow of inbound cars from connecting railroads, no allowance can be made in demurrage charges for bunching.

CARE-OF-PARTY – The party to whom railcar placement is to be made pursuant to the bill of lading, if other than the consignee at destination. When the bill of lading indicates a Care-of-Party, said party will be responsible for all demurrage, storage, and hazardous storage charges.

CONSIGNEE – The party designated on the bill of lading as the entity entitled to receive delivery of the goods/shipment from the carrier. The consignee may also be the unloader, care-of-party, warehouseman or transloader.

CONSIGNOR or SHIPPER – The party designated on the bill of lading as the entity which has caused the goods to be shipped or who furnishes forwarding directions. The consignor may also be the loader/unloader, warehouseman, or transloader.

CONSTRUCTIVE PLACEMENT (PCON) – When a railcar(s) cannot be actually placed due to any of the following conditions:

- 1. Customer has no track capacity to receive railcar
- 2. Customer is not ready to accept railcar
- 3. Customer has not requested railcar when designated as an "Order-In" customer
- 4. Customer track is not accessible, for example:
  - Blue or Red flag placed by customer or third party
  - Track blockage to a customer by a joint track user or 2nd customer on the same track
  - Customer's siding/spur is locked by customer or joint user
  - Customer's facility track is inaccessible due to safety issues or improper track condition
  - Railcar is not suitable for movement: hoses attached to railcars, hatches open, etc.

CUSTOMER (PATRON) – The shipper, consignor, loader, consignee, unloader, care-of-party, or other party who resides within Tacoma Rail's service territory and controls the disposition of a railcar. The customer is responsible for the payment of demurrage, detention, storage, or other charges specified in this tariff.

CREDIT — A unit of value assigned to a railcar for the relief of a demurrage day. Credits are utilized to offset accrued debits.

DEBIT – See demurrage day definition below.

DEMURRAGE – Demurrage is a charge for detaining a railcar. Railroads charge demurrage as an incentive for customers to load and unload railcars promptly, to prevent congestion in railroad terminals caused by idle railcars, and ultimately to improve the utilization of a valuable asset.

The Code of Federal Regulations 49 U.S.C. § 10746 states: A rail carrier providing transportation subject to the jurisdiction of the Board under this part shall compute demurrage charges and establish rules related to those charges, in a way that fulfills the national needs related to:

- 1. Freight car use and distribution and
- 2. Maintenance of an adequate supply of freight cars to be available for transportation of property.

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DEMURRAGE DAY – A twenty-four (24) hour period (calendar day), or fraction thereof, commencing at the first 0800 hours (Pacific Standard Time) after actual or constructive placement until the railcar(s) is released and available to Tacoma Rail.

DEMURRAGE RELEASE - Date and time demurrage ceases based upon notification by the customer.

DISPOSITION – Information, including forwarding instructions or release, which allows Tacoma Rail to either tender or release the railcar(s) from the customer's account.

DIVERSION – An order provided by the shipper or consignee instructing that a railcar(s) be delivered to a location other than the one indicated on the original forwarding instructions.

EMPTY RAILCAR(S) ORDERED AND NOT USED – Empty railcar(s), placed for loading as ordered, and subsequently released without being used in transportation service.

EMPTY RELEASE INFORMATION – Advice by the customer, to authorized personnel of Tacoma Rail, that the railcar(s) is unloaded and available. This information must include the identity of the customer, name of party furnishing information, railcar(s) initial and number, and date and time. Release will be effective on date and time advice is received by Tacoma Rail.

FORWARDING INSTRUCTIONS – Shipping instructions provided to Tacoma Rail at the point of loading, containing all of the necessary information to transport the shipment to its final destination. Appropriate connecting railroad must be identified.

FREE DAY / TIME – A free day is a day of grace, a particular day of the week, or a holiday where you are not charged demurrage. When a holiday falls on a weekend, Saturday holidays will be observed on the previous Friday and Sunday holidays will be observed on the following Monday. Free days are Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays as follows:

New Year's Day – January 1
Martin Luther King Day – Third Monday of January
Presidents Day – Third Monday of February
Memorial Day – Last Monday of May
Juneteenth – June 19
Independence Day – July 4
Labor Day – First Monday of September
Thanksgiving Day – Fourth Thursday of November
Christmas Eve – December 24
Christmas Day – December 25
New Year's Eve – December 31

IDLER RAILCAR – An empty railcar used to protect overhanging loads or used between railcars loaded with long material.

LATE SWITCH – A switching delay where it is Tacoma Rail's failure to provide switch service to a customer on their scheduled service day prior to 8:00 AM. Service provided after 12:00 PM is considered a missed switch.

LEASE TRACK – Any track(s) assigned to a user through written lease agreement. Lease track(s) will be treated the same as private tracks for purposes of applying the terms of this tariff.

LOADED RAILCAR – A railcar that is completely or partially loaded.

LOADER – Tacoma Rail's customer responsible for physically loading freight into the railcar or the party physically loading the railcar.

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LOADING – The complete or partial loading of a railcar in conformity with Tacoma Rail and/or BNSF/UP loading and clearance rules, advice the railcar is available for movement, and the furnishing of forwarding instructions.

MISSED SWITCH – A switching delay where it is Tacoma Rail's failure to provide switch service to a customer on their scheduled service day prior to 12:00 PM.MIXED DEMURRAGE – Excess credits earned on a railcar can be used to offset excess debits on another railcar within same category only. Categories are defined as private railcars for unloading, private railcars for loading, foreign railcars for unloading, and foreign railcars for loading. Excess demurrage credits do not carry over to the next month.

NOTIFICATION – When required, notification will be furnished electronically, in writing or verbally, to all parties entitled to receive notification that the railcar(s) is available for loading, unloading, or otherwise impacted by demurrage provisions.

OPERATIONAL RELEASE – The notification received from a customer that loading or unloading of a railcar(s) has been completed and the railcar is available for movement.

ORDER IN DATE – The date that the customer requires placement of railcar(s) at facility or industry from Tacoma Rail.

ORDER IN CUSTOMER – Customer who, by prior arrangement, has notified Tacoma Rail that railcars shall not be placed for loading or unloading, until Tacoma Rail has received an order (switch request) for placement from said customer.

OTHER THAN PUBLIC DELIVERY TRACK – Any tracks assigned for individual use, including privately owned or leased track.

PARTIAL UNLOADING – The partial unloading of a railcar(s) and furnishing of the proper forwarding/handling instructions.

PRIVATE RAILCAR(S) – Railcar(s) bearing other than railroad reporting marks and which is not owned or leased by a railroad.

PRIVATE TRACK – Any tracks which are not owned or leased by Tacoma Rail, including track leased by Tacoma Rail to other entities.

RAILROAD CONTROLLED RAILCAR(S) – Any railcar(s) other than a private railcar.

RECONSIGNMENT – An order from the customer to bill a railcar(s) to other than the original customer, said order being received after the railcar(s) is delivered to its original destination. (An order to turn the railcar over to another party, that does not require an additional movement of the railcar, is not a re-consignment.)

REFUSED LOADED RAILCAR(S) – An original loaded railcar(s) refused at destination without being unloaded.

REJECTED EMPTY RAILCAR(S) – Empty railcar(s) determined to be unfit for loading.

RELEASE – The notification received from a customer that loading or unloading of a railcar(s) has been completed and the railcar(s) is available for movement and forwarding instructions have been received, if applicable. The date and time notification is received by Tacoma Rail, will constitute both an Operational Release and a Demurrage Release.

RELOADING – When a railcar(s) is held for loading after being released empty.

RESHIPMENT – A new document by which the entire original shipment is forwarded in the same railcar to another destination.

RUN AROUND – Railcar(s) tendered to customer for loading or unloading that are actually placed ahead of railcars previously tendered for loading or unloading.

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> SHIPPER OR CONSIGNOR - The party designated on the bill of lading as the entity which has caused the goods to be shipped. The consignor may also be the loader.

SPOT ON ARRIVAL CUSTOMER – Tacoma Rail, without notification, will place railcar(s) for loading or unloading upon availability. Spot On Arrival customers allow Tacoma Rail to choose which railcars to place based upon available customer capacity; therefore, credits will not be warranted when newer railcars are spotted ahead of older railcars.

STRAIGHT DEMURRAGE – Straight demurrage rules provide for an allowance of a set amount of credits for the loading or unloading of railcars and for a definite charge by the day for each railcar held beyond the allotted applied credits. Excess credits on one railcar cannot be utilized to offset excess debits on another railcar.

TACOMA RAIL - City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Beltline Division dba: Tacoma Municipal **Beltline Railway** 

TACOMA RAIL MOUNTAIN DIVISION - City of Tacoma, Department of Public Works dba Tacoma Rail Mountain Division

TENDER - Railcars are considered tendered to the customer upon either notification, actual placement, or constructive placement of empty or loaded railcar(s).

TIME – Local time is applicable, Pacific Time Zone. Time is expressed on the basis of the 24-hour clock. (Example: 12:01 AM is expressed as 0001 hours).

UNLOADER - Tacoma Rail's customer responsible for physically unloading freight from the railcar.

UNLOADING - The complete unloading of a railcar and advice from customer to Tacoma Rail that the railcar is empty and available, or a railcar has been reloaded with empty release info furnished on loaded railcar and forwarding instructions are received.

#### 999 **EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS AND REFERENCE**

**END** 

AAR	Association of American Railroads
NSO	National Service Order, Western Trunk Line Committee, Agent
OPSL	Official List of Open and Prepay Stations, Station List Publishing Company, Agent
RER	The Official Railway Equipment Register, R.E.R. Publishing Company, Agent
RPS	Railroad Publication Services, Agent
STB	Surface Transportation Board
STCC	Standard Transportation Commodity Code
TMBL	Tacoma Rail, Tacoma Municipal Belt Line Railway
UFC	Uniform Freight Classification, Uniform Freight Classification Committee, Agent
WA	State of Washington

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## **Demurrage Dispute Form**

Enter the requested information for each car (or group of cars if all data is the same). Attach documentation whenever possible, and can be submitted by email to the demurrage administrator, by FAX, or by certified U.S. mail, return receipt requested to:



Email: <u>kjackson@cityoftacoma.org</u> or the latest email available at www.tacomarail.com

Fax: 253-396-3160

Fax: 253-396-316 Mail: Tacoma Rail

Attn: Demurrage Administration - Tariff Requests

509 North Frontage Road Tacoma, WA 98421

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