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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINSTRATION

## **FALSE PROCEED SIGNAL REPORT**

A" Pailroads subject to Regulations of the Federal Railroad Administration shall submit oroceed signal report, original only, to the Federal Railroad Admininstration All Rive days after a false proceed occurs. If no false proceed occurs during any a faur month, a report showing "No Failures" must be filed within ten days after the but with the month.

Copies of this form will be furnished upon request to the Department of Transportation, Federal Railroad Admininstration, Office of Safety, Washington, D.C. 20590

REPORT FOR (month/year) 02/04/2000

REPORTING CARRIER (railroad and region or division)

CSX Transportation Train Control

REPORTING CARRIER (signature ditie)

**Director Signal Reliability** 

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A failure should not be counted more than one time in items 1, 2, 3, and 4; the failure should be classified under the basic system or appliance of which it forms an essential part, E.g.; assume grounds cause a block signal to indicate a false proceed causing corresponding indications of a cab signal system on each train approaching this point, such failures should be included in item 1, Block System.

A false proceed failure is a failure of a system, device or appliance to indicate or function as intended which results in less restriction than intended.

The following abbreviations may be used in the report

A-Automatic
AB-Automatic block
ACS-Automatic cab signal
APB-Absolute permissive block
ATC-Automatic train control
ATS-Automatic train stop
CL-Color light
CPL-Color position light
E-Electric

EM-Electromechanical EP-Electropneumatic FP-False proceed MB-Manual block M-Mechanical P-Pneumatic PL-Position light SA-Semiautomatic TC-Traffic control

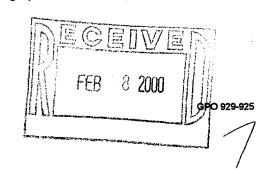
TYPE OF SYSTEM	DATE	LOCOMOTIVE NUMBER	DEVICE THAT FAILED	LOCATION (city and state)
1 BLOCK SYSTEMS				
2 .NERLOCKING X AUTO- MATIC REMOTE MANUAL	02/04/2000	Q13501	None	Columbia Avenue Hammond , IN
3 AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS  ATS ATC ACS				
4 OTHER (specify)				

## NATURE AND CAUSE OF FAILURE/CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

On February 4, 2000, Q33501 reported to the dispatcher that he had received a Medium Approach indication at the WAS #1 Track at Columbia Avenue with train engine J701 in the block ahead. The signals were removed from service and Signal personnel were dispatched.

Signal personnel simulated the movement and verified the false proceed indication. The westbound signal on #1 track at Columbia Avenue upgraded from Stop to Medium Approach when the west end of the eastbound crossover from #1 to #2 track was reversed. Further investigation revealed that a pair of Safetran Dual Wideband Shunts were improperly applied around both insulated joints between the track circuits on #1 track. The improperly applied shunts acted as a DC shunt, allowing battery from the adjacent track circuit to pick the track relay when the shunt & break circuit broke the track circuit battery feed.

The wiring error was corrected and the signals were returned to service following operational testing.



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