FALSE PROCEED SIGNAL REPORT

REPORT FOR (month/year)
08/02/2000

All Railroads subject to Regulations of the Federal Railroad Administration shall subm a false proceed signal report, original only, to the Federal Railroad Administration within five days after a false proceed occurs. If no false proceed occurs during any calender month, a report showing "No Fallures" must be filled within ten days after the end of 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

REPORTING CARRER (railroad and region or division)

CSX Transportation

Train Control

MAIL TO

Federal Railroad Admin. 61 Forsyth St SW Suite 16T20 Atlanta, Ga. 30303 REPORTING CARRIER (signature/title)

Asst.Chief Engineer Signal Maint.

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

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

TYPE OF SYSTEM	DATE	LOCOMOTIVE NUMBER	DEVICE THAT FAILED	LOCATION (city and state)
1 BLOCK SYSTEMS	08/02/2000	None	WB Int Signal #43	Westport Branch Baltimore , MD
2 INTERLOCKING AUTO-				
REMOTE MANUAL				
3 AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS				
ATS ATC ACS				
4 OTHER (specify)				

NATURE AND CAUSE OF FAILURE/CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

On August 2, 2000, FRA Officials and observed westbound color light intermediate signal #43 displaying an Approach aspect (Yellow) with a local freight train in the block ahead. Signal 43 should have displayed a Restricted aspect (Red). The signal was removed from service and Train Control personnel were dispatched.

The cause was found to be pole line wires which had been pulled down by a large tree that fell across the line wires. The insulation on the wires was damaged, and the bare HD wires were shorted together.

The pole and line wire were repaired, signal and switch checks were made with no exceptions, and the signals were returned to service. The cause was determined to be external damage from the tree to the pole line wire.

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