भारत सरकार Government of India
रेल मंत्रालय Ministry of Railways
(रेलवे बोर्ड Railway Board)

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Sub: Guidelines regarding Debit/Credit System
Ref:(i)Rates Master Circular/Demurrage-Wharfage-Waiver/2016/0 and its Corrigendum No.11
(ii)WR's letter No.C124/1/Debit-Credit Hours dt.23.02.2021 and dt.21.04.2021

Please refer to WR's letters under reference (ii) regarding Debit/Credit system and Waiver of Demurrage Charge.

The matter has been examined and item-wise remarks are given below-

WR's suggestion/query	Remarks
To extend the facility of debit-credit system in case of Private sidings to Handling Agent.	As per Corrigendum 11 of Rates Master Circular/Demurrage-Wharfage-Waiver/2016/0, the Debit/Credit scheme is applicable only for the traffic dealt in private siding(s). Thus, these guidelines are siding specific. In case a siding owner has nominated Handling Agent, he/she may make payment of Demurrage Charge to the Railway administration after adjustment of Debit/Credit hours.
Whether the SOP to be exercised while deciding on waiver since Demurrage will be charged after adjusting debit-credit hours at the end of month.	There is no change in SOP.
How many wagons to be charged at the end of the month after adjustment of debit/credit system	Calculations can be done on wagon-hour basis and netting done at the end of the period to arrive at final wagon-hour to determine demurrage applicable, if any.
If adjustment of credit hours is applicable on those rakes where penal demurrage has been imposed, if yes, may please specify how the penal hours is to be adjusted	
If the accountal of the demurrage can be taken in the first period of next month	In this regard reference is invited to Para 2.6 of Chapter-III of Rates Master Circular/Demurrage-Wharfage-Waiver/2016/0, which says that in case of large sidings, like those of power houses, steel plants etc., the time limit for preferring the first application for waiver of Demurrage Charge will be the next month implying that application for waiver of Demurrage Charges accrued in one month should be submitted latest within the next month.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

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