(3) Copies of the materials referred to in this section may be obtained from the Federal Railroad Administration, Office of Safety, RRS–14, 1120 Vermont Avenue, NW., Stop 25, Washington DC 20590.


PART 233—SIGNAL SYSTEMS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

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SOURCE: 49 FR 3379, Jan. 26, 1984, unless otherwise noted.

§ 233.1 Scope.

This part prescribed reporting requirements with respect to methods of train operation, block signal systems, interlockings, traffic control systems, automatic train stop, train control, and cab signal systems, or other similar appliances, methods, and systems.

§ 233.3 Application.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, this part applies to railroads that operate on standard gage track which is part of the general railroad system of transportation.

(b) This part does not apply to rail rapid transit operations conducted over track that is used exclusively for that purpose and that is not part of the general system of railroad transportation.

§ 233.5 Accidents resulting from signal failure.

Each carrier shall report within 24 hours to the Federal Railroad Administration by toll free telephone, number 800–424–0201, whenever it learns of the occurrence of an accident/incident arising from the failure of an appliance, device, method or system to function or indicate as required by part 236 of this title that results in a more favorable aspect than intended or other condition hazardous to the movement of a train.

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 49 FR 3379, Jan. 26, 1984, part 233 was revised. This section contains information collection and record-keeping requirements and will not become effective until approval has been given by the Office of Management and Budget.

§ 233.7 Signal failure reports.

Each carrier shall report within 15 days each failure of an appliance, device, method, or system to function or indicate as required by part 236 of this title that results in a more favorable aspect than intended or other condition hazardous to the movement of a train. Form FRA F6180–14, “Signal Failure Report,” shall be used for this purpose and completed in accordance with instructions printed on the form.

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 2130–0007)

§ 233.9 Reports.

Not later than April 1, 1997 and every 5 years thereafter, each carrier shall file with FRA a signal system status report “Signal System Five-year Report” on a form to be provided by FRA in accordance with instructions and definitions provided on the report.

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§ 233.11 Civil penalties.

Any person (an entity of any type covered under 1 U.S.C. 1, including but not limited to the following: a railroad; a manager, supervisor, official, or other employee or agent of a railroad; any owner, manufacturer, lessor, or lessee of railroad equipment, track, or facilities; any independent contractor providing goods or services to a railroad; and any employee of such owner, manufacturer, lessor, lessee, or independent contractor) who violates any requirement of this part or causes the violation of any such requirement is subject to a civil penalty of at least $650 and not more than $25,000 per violation, except that: Penalties may be assessed against individuals only for willful violations, and, where a grossly negligent violation or a pattern of repeated violations has created an imminent hazard of death or injury to persons, or has caused death or injury, a