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AWS Revises Specification for Recommended Practices for the Welding of Rails and Related Components for use by Rail Vehicles

MIAMI, Fla., February 21, 2013 - A revised edition of the American Welding Society's D15.2, *Recommended Practices for the Welding of Rails and Related Rail Components for Use by Rail Vehicles*, has been published. The standard known as D15.M:2013 supersedes the 2003 edition.

The 64-page book establishes standards for the joining, repair, maintenance and inspection of rail welds, and the welding of related rail components. It was developed and is maintained by the Subcommittee on Track Welding within the AWS Committee on Railroad Welding and is comprised of volunteer industry suppliers, end-users, and researchers.

AWS D15.2M:2013, *Recommended Practices for the Welding of Rails and Related Rail Components for Use by Rail Vehicles* is available at (888) WELDING or www.aws.org/standards for \$68. American Welding Society members can purchase the standard for just \$51.

About AWS

The American Welding Society (AWS) was founded in 1919 as a multifaceted, nonprofit organization with a mission to advance the science, technology and application of welding and allied joining and cutting processes including brazing, soldering, and thermal spraying. Headquartered in Miami, Florida, and led by a volunteer organization of officers and directors, AWS serves more than 70,000 members worldwide and is composed of 22 Districts with 250 Sections and student chapters. For more information, visit the society's website at <http://www.aws.org> and click on "Pressroom."

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