

**METAL PRODUCTS IN COILS  
EQUIPMENT/LOADING LETTER OF CERTIFICATION**

**Certification is completed on-line within secured bnsf.com, under the Waybill Management Tool.**

This document verifies that container/trailer \_\_\_\_\_ was inspected by \_\_\_\_\_ and is deemed safe for rail transport. (Company must have an approved Metal Products in Coils Letter of Agreement in effect prior to tendering shipment to BNSF. The individual whose signature appears below is a duly authorized representative of said Company.) The inspection emphasized, but was not limited to, the above container/trailer's bottom rails, flooring, cross-members, end sills, and all connection points thereof to detect the existence of any structural damage, rust or other condition that would render the container unfit for service in transporting metal products in coils.

Further, the above container/trailer has been loaded and tendered to BNSF in accordance with all applicable Association of American Railroads and BNSF Railway regulations including, but not limited to, loading, blocking, bracing, weight distribution, and proper billing procedures.

This inspection document does not alter, supercede or modify any regulations set forth by the *BNSF Intermodal Rules and Policies Guide*, nor the *Metal Products in Coils Letter of Agreement*. BNSF has the right but not the obligation to conduct random inspections to determine if the proper loading and weight distribution methods are utilized. **THE ULTIMATE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THESE ITEMS IS EXPRESSLY ASSUMED BY THE UNDERSIGNED.**

Shipper agrees and certifies the following inspections took place:

1. Pre-loading. Inspection of equipment, particularly undercarriage for suitability.
2. Loading. Loading specification approved by BNSF Load and Ride Solutions ("LARS" formerly known as Damage Prevention Services "DPS"), or loaded on an approved load and roll pallet or similar weight distribution device. Blocking/bracing, gross weight, weight distribution and concentrated weights are certified as complying with BNSF policies and designated as such by the registration number entry. Shipments carrying coils of 5,000 lb. are loaded on Load and Roll Pallets (LRPs) or sleds unless exempted by BNSF LARS and reflected by the Shipper's registration number below.
3. Post-loading inspection. Inspection of equipment, particularly undercarriage, has been completed and equipment deemed suitable to carry concentrated weights.
4. Equipment used for loading is less than 10 years in age.

The party signing this certification agrees to indemnify, defend and hold BNSF harmless from any and all claims, liabilities, fines, penalties, costs, losses, liens, causes of action, suits, demands, judgments, expenses, and damages (including, without limitation, court costs and attorney fees) resulting from: a) its negligence in the loading or blocking and bracing of this container or trailer, or; b) its failure to ensure that the container or trailer and its contents are in the condition represented herein. If the terms of this verification are not met, the party signing this certification agrees to release BNSF from any claims it could otherwise assert against BNSF for loss or damage to the container or its contents. **THE LIABILITY ASSUMED BY SHIPPER SHALL NOT BE AFFECTED BY THE FACT, IF IT IS A FACT, THAT THE DESTRUCTION, DAMAGE, DEATH OR INJURY WAS OCCASIONED BY OR CONTRIBUTED TO BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF BNSF, ITS AGENTS, SERVANTS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHERWISE.**

Signature _____ Print Name _____ Representing _____ Registration # _____	<p style="color: orange; font-size: small;">* Prior to May 11, 2009, this form was completed and signed by the Shipper and faxed to BNSF. * The Fax information has been removed. * Process is now done on-line.</p>	Date _____ Phone Number _____
Shipment will be tendered to BNSF at _____ (Mandatory) hub facility on _____ (Date).		