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Modification Sheet No. ELRS / MS / 0323

1.0 Title: Modification to improve reliability of headlight circuit for working of headlight while passing neutral section, earlier issued vide RDSO Modification Sheet No. WAM4/173, WAM4/181, WAM4/193 and ELRS/MS/288.

2.0 Object:

- S. E. Railway implemented RDSO's modifications and reported reliability problems of
- a) Raising of both pantographs
- Non-working of headlight for flashing/melting of contacts of BLPRD/BLPRR/BLPRF.

The above problems were attributed to.

- (i) The way connections have been taken to feed CPR coil and
- Inadequate DC current rating of auxiliary contacts leading to flashing even after providing 2 contacts in parallel (as per modification ELRS/MS/288)

To overcome the problem a simplified circuit has also been suggested by SER, changing the connection at ZPT, facilitating elimination of blocking diodes and also modification in circuit of CPR contacts branch to bypass BLPRD/ BLPRR/ BLPRF during DC operation of headlight (while negotiating neutral section).

SER implemented above modification on 10 locos and reported to be working satisfactorily.

3.0 Work to be carried out:

- Connect the CPR coil feeding circuit at ZPT switch as shown in RDSO's drawing no. SKEL-4670 to take the feed from cable no. 700 instead of 711 & 712.
- (ii) Disconnect the parallel connection of N/O interlock of BLPRF.
- (iii) Connect N/O interlock of BLPRF in series with N/O interlock of (V60 and CPR coil.
- (iv) Connect spare interlock of BL in series with RCPR as shown in RDSO's drawing no. SKEL-4670.

4.0 Application to class of locomotives:

- Electric locomotives not provided with twin beam headlight with DC/DC converter.
- In terms of Railway Board's letter no. 99/Elect (TRS)/113/20 Pt. II dt 23-12-2002 twin beam headlight with DC/DC converter to be provided as standard and RDSO has issued specification no. ELRS/SPEC/PR/0024 - Dec'2002 for twin heam headlight and ELRS/SPEC/DC-DC Converter/0021 - July'2002 for DC-DC converter.

5.0 Material required:

- 1. Cable = 2.5 sq. mm
- 2. Lugs = 2.5 sq. mm

6.0 Material rendered surplus:

Blocking diode (S8BR8/ S8BR18)

7.0 References:

Suggestion received from S. E. Railway vide letter no. CEE/RS/220B dt.13-1-2003.

8.0 Modification Drawing No: SKEL-4670.

9.0 Agency for implementation:

Electric Loco Sheds, POH Shops and CLW.

This modification supercedes RDSO's Modification Sheet No. WAM4/173, WAM4/181 and ELRS/MS/288.

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