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## Sub: Cleaning of Oil Cooling Radiators in 3-phase electric locos.

A number of failures have happened due to "Equipment Temperature High" (message no. F0205P2/F0305P2) this summer because of oil temperature of transformer circuit or converter circuit going beyond the prescribed limit. Cleaning of radiators plays a very important role in maintaining the temperature of oil below the prescribed limit. The cleaning of radiator is also prescribed as a pre-summer activity.

During a meeting at Railway Board on 31.05.13 on the subject item, Railways mentioned non-availability of suitable instructions for cleaning the radiators. In this connection, please refer to this office letter of even number dtd. 07.02.2012 through which maintenance activities of three phase locos were advised to Railways. As per the Minor and Major Maintenance Schedules of three phase locos (Point 25 of Minor Schedule and Point 46 of Major Schedule), the cleaning periodicity and procedure to clean the radiator has already been prescribed. Please also note that in the Major maintenance schedule, Suppliers Documentation Vol.F10 is also referred, which gives a detailed procedure including the pressure of air, pressure of water, temperature of water and cleaning agent to be used for cleaning the radiator.

In view of the above, it is advised that the schedule as prescribed by RDSO and in the manual should be followed for proper cleaning of radiators to avoid such cases of equipment temperature high.

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