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The Association of American Railroads Damage Prevention and Freight Claim Committee has approved use of Carolina Strapping and Buckles Company 1½" ASTM Type 1A Grade V polyester strapping for use in closed cars, trailers or containers for approved loading and securement methods in which the use of polyester cord strapping is specified.

The strap is to be clearly marked with the Strap I.D. in accordance with the strap marking requirements of AAR Circular 42-J, "General Rules Covering the Loading of Carload Shipments of Commodities in Closed Cars".

Very truly yours,

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