

Railinc has increased the functionality of the Circular OT-5 product and key highlights include:

- Allowing the resubmission of loading locations within an application even if all loading locations have not had action taken against them. With this new feature, an application can be resubmitted to the requesting parties even if one of the locations is in submitted status.
- Applications can now be resubmitted to individual carriers rather than submitting to all parties on the application at one time.
- Comments can now be entered specifically for a carrier.
- An expiration date and effective date can be entered for each loading location group to accommodate each carrier's needs. The application does not carry an effective and expiration date at the global level but is available at the local level in loading locations.
- New logic in the commodity section will no longer check to see if the 28, 29 series STCC is bridged to a Hazmat 48, 49 STCC. The new logic will allow the submission even if the 28, 29 is bridged, the old logic would not allow and force the use of the hazmat 48,49 STCC.

## 1. What will look different?

The most noticeable change is how the system looks when creating a new application or editing an existing application. The application is now split into two parts. The system shows three tabs: Part 1, Part 2 and Equipment Information.

- Part 1 of the application includes the main functions of the application:
  - Entry of equipment
  - Entry of STCC
  - Entry of loading locations
- Part 2 contains:
  - Submitter information
  - Controlling entity information
  - Comment field
  - Application-Carrier Information

The new section Application-Carrier Information allows the submitter to enter an effective date and expiration date for each carrier, and also allows the entry of secure comments to the origin carrier.

- Equipment Information remains unchanged.

## 2. How will the product be different?

When editing an existing application under Part 1, a submitter can add additional loading locations; and, under Part 2, the submitter can enter comments specifically for each carrier and decide to resubmit to specific carriers, or all origin carriers at the same time (if the submit button is clicked).

The Circular OT-5 user can navigate from any of the tabs by clicking on the desired tab. Moving from tab to tab does not validate data. The data entered is only validated on submission. If the system finds an error, the system displays the applicable tab to correct the error. To validate Part 1 data, click on the submit button; if no errors occur, the system prompts the user to enter any missing values on Part 2. The application can be submitted at anytime by selecting the submit button at the bottom of the page. The validation looks at both part one and part two of the application. On resubmission, if the submit button is clicked, the application is resubmitted to all available carriers. If the need is to only submit to a specific carrier then the resubmission button next to the carrier in Part two should be used. For this release, the submitter can only resubmit to one carrier per resubmission.