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IICL Working Group Releases 1st Draft of the ECS Project

As previously announced, the IICL has established a working group to review, simplify and optimize the use of ISO/CEDEX codes and its combinations on repair estimates and equipment interchange receipts. The IICL now has an ECS draft of Phase 1, containing the component and damage code combinations, which is available for review and comments from the industry stakeholders.

The project is named Equipment Code Standards (ECS).

To kick off the project, the IICL working group selected Dry Van Containers. The work will be done in two phases. The first phase covers the valid code combinations between “Component codes” and “Damage codes”. The IICL is now publishing the first draft of work done in the 1st phase and inviting all stakeholders to provide comments and suggestions on the ECS draft being released.

Main objectives of the project are to:

- Reduce the number of codes and code combinations by merging redundant codes
- Eliminate code combinations that are ambiguous or don't make sense
- Broaden the use of relevant codes
- Strengthen objectivity and clarity for conclusive data analysis
- Create industry-wide uniformity

The ECS draft containing the component and damage code combinations is available for viewing and download at <https://www.iicl.org/technical-documents/iicl-ecs-project/>

Please send your questions, comments, and suggestions via email to technical@iicl.org . We look forward to receiving your input on the proposed ECS. **The deadline to provide comments to be taken into consideration by the working group is January 21, 2022.**

Phase 2 of the project is now underway and expands the ECS scope by including valid code combinations adding repair types. The outcome of the 2nd phase will be published at a later date.

We look forward to receiving your comments and suggestions.