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**IICL Releases Final Draft of the “Equipment Code Standards” (ECS) Project.**

After 10 months and review of data from millions of off-hire transactions at hundreds of depots around the world, the IICL Work Group formed by technical experts from Asia, Europe and Americas is now releasing the final draft of the ISO codes and its valid combinations. The IICL is again seeking input from all stakeholders in the industry. The IICL WG compiled, component, damage and repair codes in a simple format that will facilitate the implementation and import of data into local systems.

The IICL WG considers that the main objectives of the project to simplify and optimize ISO code combinations and to improve efficiencies for estimators and analytical purposes were achieved. According to Luiz Gonçalves, IICL Director of Technical Services, initially the WG was dealing with over 32,000 possible code combinations and ended the study with approximately 1,850 valid combinations. The ECS project was developed for use during equipment interchange and IICL members will work with their depot network to implement the ECS throughout the remainder of 2022.

Luiz Gonçalves added, it was a long road to get where we are now, and it is critical that we receive the input from the industry to improve the work done. Despite the efforts to prepare a comprehensive document we expect that we will be fine tuning it for some time after implementation considering all different situations that it has to cover.

The IICL is also pleased to report that it expects to continue its collaboration on codes with the Container Owners Association (COA) and its members.

The final draft of the IICL – ECS document is available for viewing and download at the IICL website through the following link  
[https://www.iicl.org/iiclforms/assets/File/public/news/2022/IICL\\_ECS\\_March11\\_FINAL\\_DRAFT.xlsx](https://www.iicl.org/iiclforms/assets/File/public/news/2022/IICL_ECS_March11_FINAL_DRAFT.xlsx)

About the IICL.

Organized in 1971, the IICL is a trade association, representing lessors of maritime containers and intermodal chassis. Its member companies, Beacon Intermodal, CAI, Direct ChassisLink, FlexiVan, SEACO Global, SeaCube Container, Textainer, TOUAX, TRAC Intermodal, and Triton International Limited, own or manage a significant portion of the global leased container and U.S. chassis fleets. The IICL is active in technological, educational, safety, environmental, governmental, regulatory, and security issues. Complementing its widely accepted industry standards and best practices, the IICL offers its inspector certification examinations for containers and chassis in more than 5,000 locations around the world, supported by publications, tools and courses.

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