

Brothers:

Some engineers have been unplugging the ERM communications cable located on the locomotive APU's to keep the locomotive running, thus by-passing the APU shut down system.

CSXT Mechanical has installed tracking for these incidents. All incidents of unplugging this cable are now recorded both with GPS latitude and longitude data and the exact time that the unplugging of the cable occurred. A report is being generated every morning to senior managers in Jacksonville. They can instantly determine the time and location that this event occurred. (and the engineer involved) Our members are going to be charged in the very near future with tampering with the APU. Right now with the fuel prices, this is a big deal.

Please get the word out to everyone to cease this practice immediately. We need to keep everyone out of harms way.