## Centerbeam Cable Securement Guidance



Following the techniques below for centerbeam cable securement is a critical safety measure that ensures delivery of safe equipment for all shippers.

## **Proper Technique Options**

- A. Engage cable chain lengths in keyhole slots on same side as winch. Attach cables to centerbeam posts' cable hangers, take up slack on winch drum.
- B. Attach cable chain to keyhole slot on opposite side of car or hook on car side riser using cable hanger to support.
- C. Insert chain into centerbeam upright's keyhole slot and tighten down cable on drum. One cable per keyhole slot allowed.

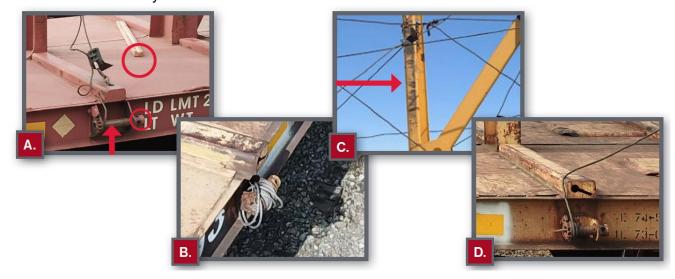






## **Improper Techniques**

- A. Loose cables are not acceptable; engage ratchet pawl to take up slack on winch drum. Remove loose dunnage.
- B. Cable should not be wound completely on wench and over itself; this causes excess wear.
- C. Cables should not be wound around centerbeam uprights.
- D. Cables should not be secured horizontally. Use proper appliances (J hook, keyhole slots) to secure cables vertically.



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