

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

ALLEGED  
FALSE PROCEED SIGNAL REPORT

REPORT FOR (month/year)

May 1995

DATE

May 18, 1995

REPORTING CARRIER (railroad & region or division)

Southern Pacific  
Transportation Co.  
Roseville Division  
Cascade Subdivision

REPORTING OFFICER (signature/title)

Engineer - Signals

All railroads subject to Regulations of the Federal Railroad Administration shall submit a false proceed signal report, original only, to the Federal Railroad Administration within five days after a false proceed occurs. If no false proceed occurs during any calendar month, a report showing "No Failures" must be filed within ten days after the end of the month.

Copies of this form will be furnished upon request to the Department of Transportation, Federal Railroad Administration, Office of Safety, Washington, D.C. 20590

MAIL TO

Director of Railroad Safety  
Region 7  
Federal Railroad Administration  
650 Capital Mall, Suite 7707  
Sacramento, CA 95814

A failure should not be counted more than one time in items 1, 2, 3, and 4; the failure should be classified under the basic system or appliance of which it forms an essential part. E.g.: assume grounds cause a block signal to indicate a false proceed causing corresponding indications of a cab signal system on each train approaching this point, such failures should be included in item 1, Block Systems.

A false proceed failure is a failure of a system, device or appliance to indicate or function as intended which results in less restriction than intended.

The following abbreviations may be used in the report.

- A—Automatic
- AB—Automatic block
- ACS—Automatic cab signal
- APB—Absolute permissive block
- ATC—Automatic train control
- ATS—Automatic train stop
- CL—Color light
- CPL—Color position light
- E—Electric
- EM—Electromechanical
- EP—Electropneumatic
- FP—False proceed
- MB—Manual block
- M—Mechanical
- P—Pneumatic
- PL—Position light
- SA—Semiautomatic
- TC—Traffic control

TYPE OF SYSTEM	DATE	LOCOMOTIVE NUMBER	DEVICE THAT FAILED	LOCATION (city and state)
1 BLOCK SYSTEMS <input type="checkbox"/> AB <input type="checkbox"/> APB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TC	5-14-95	BN 1BN681-13	Signal 316LB	E. E. Algoma, OR.
2 INTERLOCKING <input type="checkbox"/> REMOTE <input type="checkbox"/> MANUAL <input type="checkbox"/> AUTO-MATIC				
3 AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS <input type="checkbox"/> ATS <input type="checkbox"/> ATC <input type="checkbox"/> ACS				
4 OTHER (specify)				

NATURE AND CAUSE OF FAILURE/CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

On May 14, 1995 at approximately 6:06 AM, B.N.R.R. crew (Engineer student Engineer , Conductor ), operating B.N.R.R. train 1BN681-13 traveling West, reported to have entered the East end of Algoma siding with the facing signal displaying RED over YELLOW, and while proceeding West on the siding, collided with the rear of Southern Pacific train 1CORVM-14 which was stopped in the siding.

Under the direction of Signal Supervisor , train Distacher WS66 was asked to duplicate the conditions under which the BN train 1BN681-13 entered the siding. When the switch at E.E. Algamo was reversed and the Westbound was cleared into the siding, the facing signal displayed RED over LUNAR. This test was repeated several times always with the same result.

The signal system was thoroughly tested and the pole line between East and West Algoma was also inspected. All tests showed the signal system to be working as intended with no exceptions.

The signal system was restored to service on May 15, 1995 at 4:30 PM.