When equipment owners or manufacturers identify potential mechanical problems, they notify the AAR, which issues a Maintenance Advisory (MA) or Early Warning (EW) notice depending on the severity of the potential problem. These notices inform industry participants about equipment that needs inspection or repair. Railinc maintains Early Warning, which also serves as a central repository of notice data and associated equipment and enables repair shops and others to report when a car has been inspected or repaired so that equipment can be removed from notices.
EMAIL ALERTS ON NOTICE EVENTS
Early Warning users can receive email alerts to stay informed of when one of seven unique scenarios occurs, including when a notice or a supplement to an existing notice is created, when their equipment is assigned to or removed from a notice, and when an EW or MA notice expires.

DETAILED TRANSACTION LOG QUERIES
Early Warning’s transaction log query function enables users to see EW and MA notice data for a specified period. Users can also add other search parameters, including notice numbers, equipment IDs and criteria from the Umler system.

TRAIN II AND WEB SERVICES ACCESS
Access to Early Warning via Train II and web services provides users with additional, convenient points of entry to the system. Early Warning can integrate with customers’ existing systems, enabling users to receive notice creating and equipment assignments, report inspections and perform queries through Train II and web services instead of logging on to the user interface.

ACCESS EARLY WARNING
Go to www.railinc.com and create a Single Sign-On user ID, then request permission to access the Early Warning system via the Railinc Launchpad.

To learn more about the Early Warning system, visit the Railinc website at www.railinc.com or contact the Railinc Customer Support Center at (877) 724-5462 or csc@railinc.com.