

Ballast Car Unloading

Cattron™ Application Note

COMPANY

Companies that are responsible for the inspection and maintenance of track ballast.

CHALLENGE

Manually opening and closing ballast car hopper doors require the operator to be very close to the ballast car. Exposure to silica dust, possible injuries resulting from manual operation of the release levers and walking close by a moving train are just some of the hazards that can be encountered by operators.

SOLUTION

By installing locomotive remote controls on the hopper doors, the operator has freedom of movement and is able to work in a safer, more efficient manner. Operators can control multiple ballast release doors, plows and other auxiliary functions. Operators can quickly select different hopper cars from the controller. In addition, two operators can control ballast doors or other auxiliary functions independently or simultaneously on one system allowing simultaneous ballasting on both sides of the train.

CATTRON PRODUCTS

- Ballast Car Control System
- Cattron for Rail Toggle Controller

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