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TEXAMERICAS CENTER RAIL CAR SERVICES

COMPANY PROFILE

TexAmericas Center Rail Car Services is a business unit of TexAmericas Center, which is headquartered in the Texarkana MSA in Texas. TAC Rail provides storage, freight movement, switch and tender services on-site to over 30 miles of TAC-owned rail.

Limited transload activity has been performed at TexAmericas Center; however, interest exists in expanding this service. A Technical Assistance Grant award to TexAmericas Center in 2016 by the Economic Development Administration produced a preliminary report indicating the potential to upgrade the former army transload facility on the TexAmericas Center East Campus into a fully functioning rail service site.

The Union Pacific (UP) has the largest presence in the area with an active switch yard located in Texarkana, AR-TX, which builds approximately 30 unit-sized trains daily and has a maximum capacity of 750 cars. The UP track, which connects to Red River Army Depot and TexAmericas Center at the north, is leased to Texas Northeastern Railroad (TNER, a Genesee & Wyoming company). The TNER interchanges directly with TAC Rail. The UP also has track that connects to TexAmericas Center owned rail on the East Campus from the south.

- Manifest or unit trains can be received at TAC Rail.
- Maximum number of cars to be spotted at one time is dependent upon availability of space at site.
- No limitations due to locomotive power availability.
- TexAmericas Center has been in operation for 20 years and performs all rail maintenance, replacing approximately 3,000 railroad ties per year.
- TexAmericas Center does not have permitting, zoning or regulation requirements.
- Temporary transload services available.

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TAC Rail: Monday - Friday, or as Scheduled			
Services Available	7 days per week		
Rail Car	Empty Clean Loaded 268k lbs (134 tons)		
Storage Capacity at TAC Classification Yard	 350 cars 45 cars, clearance point to clearance point Can receive a 100-car train unit per train delivery 		
Maximum Car Storage Capacity	1,300 cars		
Types of Equipment Handled (Limitations are 70' or less)	 Bulkhead Flatcars Centerbeam Flatcars Coil Gondola Cars Covered Hoppers General Purpose Flatcars Open Top Hoppers Plain Gondola Cars Refrigerated Box Cars Standard Box Tank Cars Vehicle Flatcars Unit & Manifest Train Private Leased 		
Commodities	Aggregate Lumber Paper Steel Grain		
Loading/Unloading	On industry-owned property Industry able to switch own cars on owned property On TAC property for a fee		
Interchanges	TNER and TAC Rail at Hooks and Red River Defense TNER and UP in Texarkana UP and Kansas City Southern (KCS) in Shreveport (Class I) UP and Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) in Fort Worth (Class I)		

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