



Conrail



ATHG-2121 ATHG-2122 ATHG-2123 CR #880305 CR #880307 CR #880330 Era: 1976+

Southern



ATHG-2124 ATHG-2125 ATHG-2126 SOU #90027 SOU #90033 SOU #90040

Era: 1961+

Canadian National



ATHG-2128 ATHG-2129 CN #392000 CN #392002 CN #392005 Era: 1970+

Colorado & Southern (CB&Q)



ATHG-2131 CBQ #813 ATHG-2132 CBQ #817 Era: 1962+

Diamond Sugar



ATHG-2133 ATHG-2134 ATHG-2135 GACX #42318 GACX #42319 GACX #42360 Era: 1961+

Nebraska Consolidated Mills



ATHG-2136 ATHG-2137 ATHG-2138 GACX #42397 GACX #42398 GACX #42400 Era: 1955+

Pillsbury



ATHG-2139 ATHG-2140 ATHG-2141 GACX #44472 GACX #44474 GACX #44477 Era: 1970+

Redpath



ATHG-2142 ATHG-2143 ATHG-2144 GACX #42362 GACX #42363 GACX #42364 Era: 1955+

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GATC 2600 Airslide Covered Hopper



MODEL FEATURES:

- · Three different body styles
- · Detailed underbody including outlet piping
- · Rectangular or oval shaker brackets
- · Gravity or gravity-pneumatic outlets
- · See-through metal roof walk
- · Factory installed wire grab irons and brake piping
- · Separately applied round roof hatches and brake wheel
- · Roller bearing or Bettendorf trucks
- · Machined metal wheels with RP25 contours
- · Weighted for optimum performance
- · Body-mounted McHenry® operating scale knuckle couplers
- · Accurately painted and printed
- · Highly detailed, injection molded body
- · Minimum radius: 18"

PROTOTYPE AND BACKGROUND INFO:

For the first half of the 20th century, bulk goods were usually bagged and carried in boxcars. After the late 1940s, covered hoppers greatly simplified the process by allowing the bulk material to be poured in through the roof hatches and dumped out the hopper bays. However, flour, starch, sugar and plastics do not "flow" easily from a standard hopper bay.

To solve this problem, the Fuller Company of Catasauqua, PA, patented the Airslide concept. In an Airslide covered hopper, the bays are formed into two narrow, steep-sided troughs with a layer of air-permeable material at the bottom. Air is pumped through the material causing the lading to fluidize and flow easily through the hopper outlets.

Starting in 1953, General American Transportation began building Airslide covered hoppers. One of the two original configurations was a 2,600-cubic foot, single-bay car with a 70-ton capacity. In addition to railroad-owned cars, there were a number of Airslide covered hoppers leased by GATC to sugar and bakery companies. Later on, larger cars were introduced as the railroads continued to improve their infrastructure. To extend the useful lives of the smaller 2600 cuft cars, some of them were permanently connected in 2-unit drawbar sets. The drawbar sets operated as a single car, and therefore had a whopping total capacity of 5,200 cu.ft. - although their substantial length was a notable drawback.

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