

HO GATC 2600 Covered Hopper Announced 11.27.15 Orders Due: 12.29.15

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Santa Fe





ATH87634 ATH87635 ATH87636 HO RTR GATC 2600 Airslide Hopper, SF #310166 HO RTR GATC 2600 Airslide Hopper, SF #310182 HO RTR GATC 2600 Airslide Hopper, SF #310212

Chicago South Shore & South Bend





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HO RTR GATC 2600 Airslide Hopper, CSS&SBRR #1375 HO RTR GATC 2600 Airslide Hopper, CSS&SBRR #1376

Domino Sugar

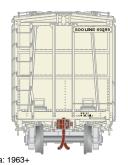






HO RTR GATC 2600 Airslide Hopper, Domino Sugar #707 ATH87639 HO RTR GATC 2600 Airslide Hopper, Domino Sugar #710 ATH87640 ATH87641 HO RTR GATC 2600 Airslide Hopper, Domino Sugar #715

Soo Line



\$48.98 SRP



ATH87646 ATH87647 HO RTR GATC 2600 Airslide Hopper, SOO #69259 HO RTR GATC 2600 Airslide Hopper, SOO #69261 HO RTR GATC 2600 Airslide Hopper, SOO #69262





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All Road Names

MODEL FEATURES:

- · Three different body styles
- Early GATC Airslide body: no angled end gusset plates; channel-section vertical posts at bolsters
- Intermediate phase I body: "Hat Section" vertical posts at bolsters; angled gusset plates at ends
- 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
- · Fully-assembled and ready-to-run out of the box
- · Accurately painted and printed
- · Highly detailed, injection molded body
- · Machined metal wheels
- · Weighted for trouble free operation
- · Wheels with RP25 contours operate on all popular brands of track
- · Body mounted McHenry operating scale knuckle couplers
- Window packaging for easy viewing plus interior plastic blister safely holds the model for convenient storage
- Minimum radius: 18"

PROTOTYPE INFORMATION:

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 Catasaugua, 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.