

# Brake Beam Components

## Connectors and Wear Plates

### Ruggedly Designed for Long-life Performance

#### Connectors

Miner connectors are used to repair damaged freight car brake rods or alter the length of existing brake rods. Connectors act as a splint around the ends of the rods which, when welded into place, form a joint that has the full strength of the original rod. The tapered ends of the connectors reduce the risk of hang-up on a carrier or structural member.

Advantages of using Miner connectors include:

- *Cost effectiveness through the salvage of usable materials*
- *Cuts excessive inventory of replacement rods*
- *Fast and easy to apply at a low unit cost*
- *Available in 3/4", 7/8" and 1-1/8" sizes to fit most rods*

#### Wear Plates

Miner steel side frame wear plates are extremely durable and represent the lowest cost alternative.



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