



# U25B AND EARLY U28B LOCOMOTIVES

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- **NEW PHASES AND VARIATIONS**
- **A STAPLE OF THE MERGER ERA OF RAILROADING**
- **MANY LIGHTING FEATURES INCLUDING FLASHING BEACONS AND FROG LIGHTS**
- **RETOOLED ROOF PROFILE FOR CLOSER PROTOTYPE ACCURACY**

General Electric had long been touted as a company that supplied parts for other manufacturers. That would all change with GE's entry into a road-switcher market dominated by EMD and Alco. In the late 1950s, GE's engineers were developing a new V16 engine. What followed was the creation of the U25B road switcher. Available in both high-nose and low-nose variants, GE would sell over 450 U25Bs to a variety of Class I railroads. The U25B would pave the way for future Universal series locomotives.

Many U25Bs lasted into the early 1980s on some Class I railroads. A few ex-L&N versions would continue on to the late 1980s on CSX! A notable user of the U25B was Rock Island, which equipped a few of theirs with "frog lights" on the sides of the cab roof. These lights could alternate or shine steady. Get ready for a new run with new schemes on the popular U25B locomotive!

## THE RAPIDO U25B LOCOMOTIVE FEATURES:

- **NEW Phase IV units representing late U25B's and early U28B's**
- **Working "frog lights" (Rock Island and MEC #225 and #228)**
- **Improved thinner front and rear handrails**
- Single front window or **NEW double front window**
- Both low and high-short hood versions
- ESU LokSound and MoPower for sound equipped models
- Flat or **NEW** sloped low nose
- **New side sill mounted handrails on Phase IV units**
- Early high- and later low- style side doors
- Road specific details for each model
- Different exhaust stacks (depending on roadname)
- Road-specific battery box doors on engineer's side

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## Burlington Northern (Cascade Green / ex-GN) Era: 1970s+

Road #	Item # (DC/Silent)	Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
5415	35033 <input type="text"/>	35533 <input type="text"/>
5419	35034 <input type="text"/>	35534 <input type="text"/>
5422	35035 <input type="text"/>	35535 <input type="text"/>
5423	35036 <input type="text"/>	35536 <input type="text"/>

## Conrail Era: Late 1970s+

Road #	Item # (DC/Silent)	Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
2564•	35037 <input type="text"/>	35537 <input type="text"/>
2569•	35038 <input type="text"/>	35538 <input type="text"/>
2590*	35039 <input type="text"/>	35539 <input type="text"/>
2683§	35040 <input type="text"/>	35540 <input type="text"/>

• ex-New York Central / \* ex-Erie Lackawanna / § ex-PRR



## CSX (Family Lines Patch) Era: Late 1980s+

Road #	Item # (DC/Silent)	Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
3416	35041 <input type="text"/>	35541 <input type="text"/>
3417	35042 <input type="text"/>	35542 <input type="text"/>

## Family Lines (L&N Sublettering) Era: 1970s — 1980s

Road #	Item # (DC/Silent)	Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
1614	35043 <input type="text"/>	35543 <input type="text"/>
1621	35044 <input type="text"/>	35544 <input type="text"/>
1623	35045 <input type="text"/>	35545 <input type="text"/>
1625	35046 <input type="text"/>	35546 <input type="text"/>

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## Maine Central (U28B / ex-Rock Island) Era: 1980s+

Road #	Item # (DC/Silent)	Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
225*	35047 <input type="text"/>	35547 <input type="text"/>
226	35048 <input type="text"/>	35548 <input type="text"/>
228*	35049 <input type="text"/>	35549 <input type="text"/>
234	35050 <input type="text"/>	35550 <input type="text"/>

\* Denotes locomotive has "frog lights" on cab

## Milwaukee Road Era: 1970s+

Road #	Item # (DC/Silent)	Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
5050	35051 <input type="text"/>	35551 <input type="text"/>
5051	35052 <input type="text"/>	35552 <input type="text"/>
5056	35053 <input type="text"/>	35553 <input type="text"/>
5057	35054 <input type="text"/>	35554 <input type="text"/>

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## Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Era: 1970s+

Road #	Item # (DC/Silent)	Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
2800	35055 <input type="text"/>	35555 <input type="text"/>
2808*	35056 <input type="text"/>	35556 <input type="text"/>
2815	35057 <input type="text"/>	35557 <input type="text"/>
2818*	35058 <input type="text"/>	35558 <input type="text"/>

\* Yellow band scheme

## Rock Island (w/Frog Lights) Era: 1970s+

Road #	Item # (DC/Silent)	Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
225	35059 <input type="text"/>	35559 <input type="text"/>
228	35060 <input type="text"/>	35560 <input type="text"/>
243*	35061 <input type="text"/>	35561 <input type="text"/>
252*	35062 <input type="text"/>	35562 <input type="text"/>

\* Classified as U28B



## Southern Pacific Era: 1960s – 1970s

Road #	Item # (DC/Silent)	Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
6733	35063 <input type="text"/>	35563 <input type="text"/>
6741	35064 <input type="text"/>	35564 <input type="text"/>
6755	35065 <input type="text"/>	35565 <input type="text"/>
6766	35066 <input type="text"/>	35566 <input type="text"/>

## St. Louis-San Francisco Era: 1960s+

Road #	Item # (DC/Silent)	Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
800	35067 <input type="text"/>	35567 <input type="text"/>
801	35068 <input type="text"/>	35568 <input type="text"/>
803	35069 <input type="text"/>	35569 <input type="text"/>



## St. Louis-San Francisco Era: 1960s+

Road #	Item # (DC/Silent)	Item # (DC/DCC/Sound)
807	35070 <input type="text"/>	35570 <input type="text"/>



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