EDI Technical specification

Appendix D

LORS: Edifact level a character set

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USE OF THE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

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APPENDIX D:

UN/EDIFACT LEVEL A CHARACTERS

The character set used in LORS batch data messages is taken from the International Standard syntax level A.

The following characters are permitted except where LORS batch format validation rules specify otherwise :

Letters, upper case only	A to Z
Numerals	0 to 9
Space or blank character	
Full stop or period	.
Comma	,
Hyphen or minus sign	-
Opening parentheses	(
Closing parentheses	)
Oblique or forward slash	/
Equals sign	=
Exclamation mark	!
Quotation mark	"
Percentage sign	%
Ampersand	&
Asterisk	*
Semi-colon	;
Less than sign	<
Greater than sign	>

The following characters are reserved for use as indicated below, however they may be generally used if preceded by a '?' (Question mark) :

Segment terminator	Apostrophe	'
Segment tag/data element separator	Plus sign	+
Component data element separator	Colon	:
Release character	Question Mark	?