

ILLINOIS TERMINAL RAILROAD SPOTTER'S GUIDE

Volume One: The Diesels

Diesel Paint Schemes

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In May of 2000 in Carlinville, Illinois the idea of a series of Illinois Terminal "Spotter's Guides" was conceived. The plan was to begin the series with a complete history of dieselization on the Illinois Terminal Railroad. This would include the planning, demonstrations by various locomotive companies and the operations of diesels. Further, it would document the unique and varied paint schemes carried by each locomotive, statistical data and finally disposition of the locomotives. It was also part of the early planning to include a full color CD so that modelers and historians could view the greens and yellow in all their variations. To this has been added the detailed drawings of Terry Black which are included both in the printed book and on the CD.

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William Raia collection

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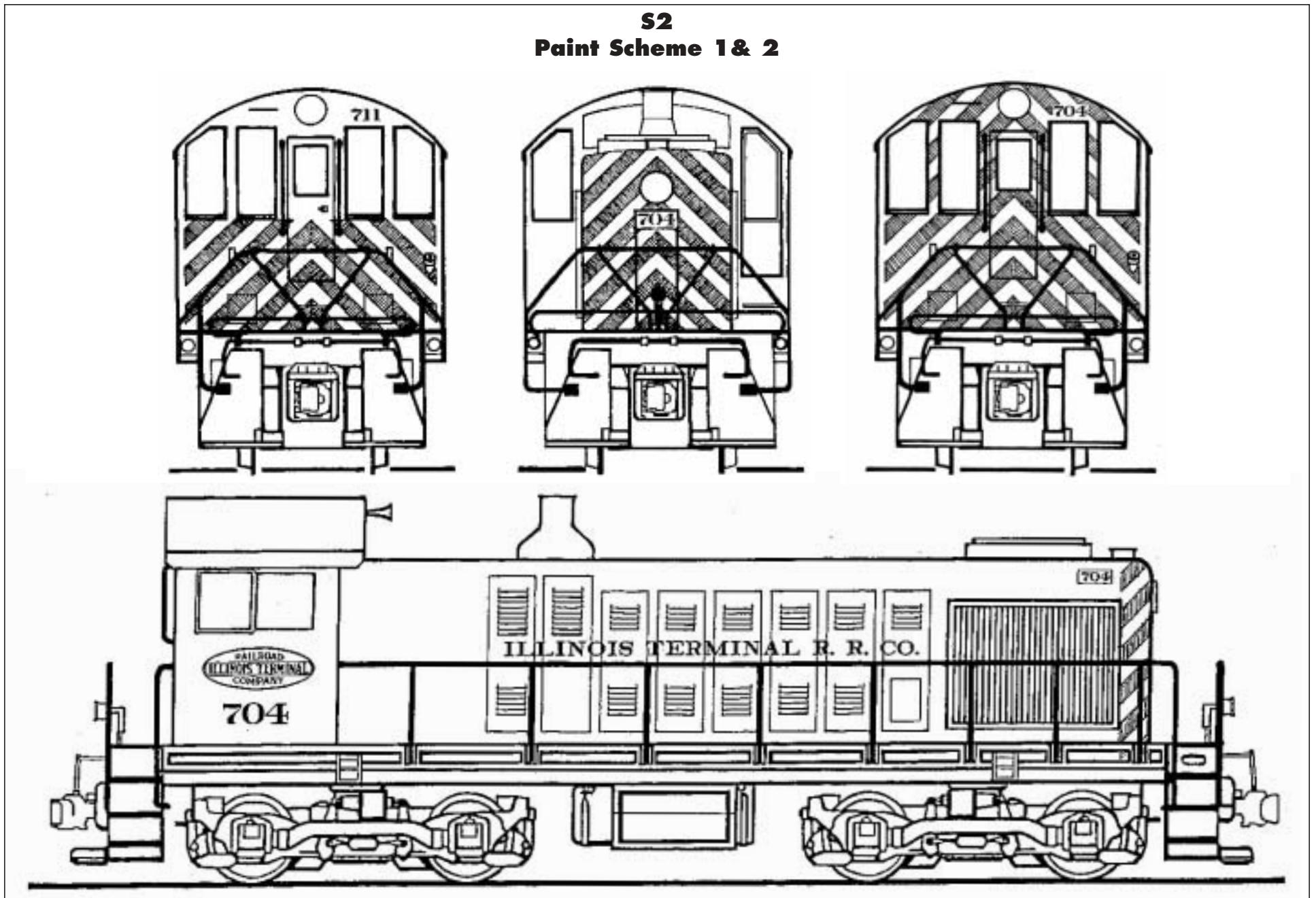
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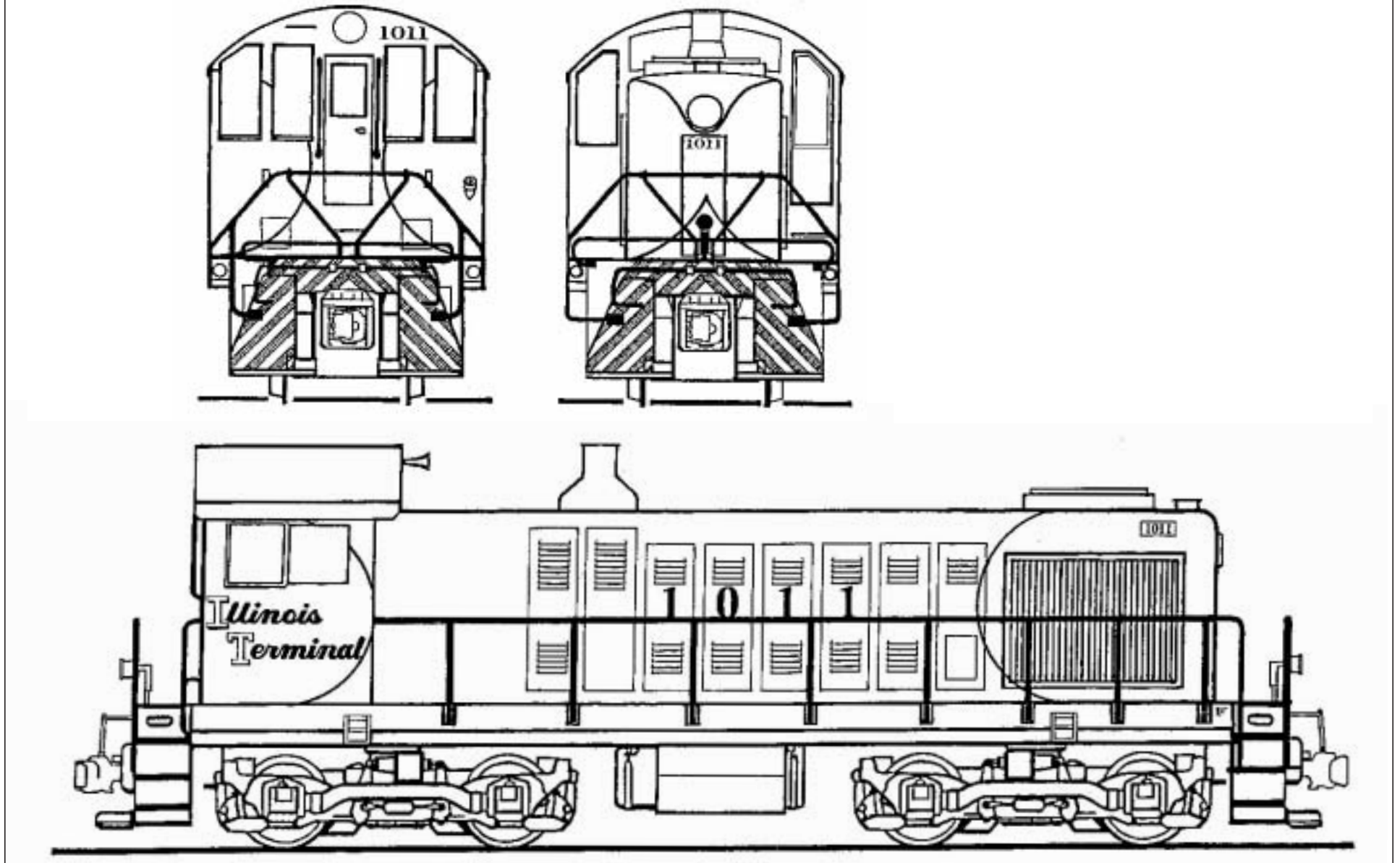
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Paint Scheme 1 & 2



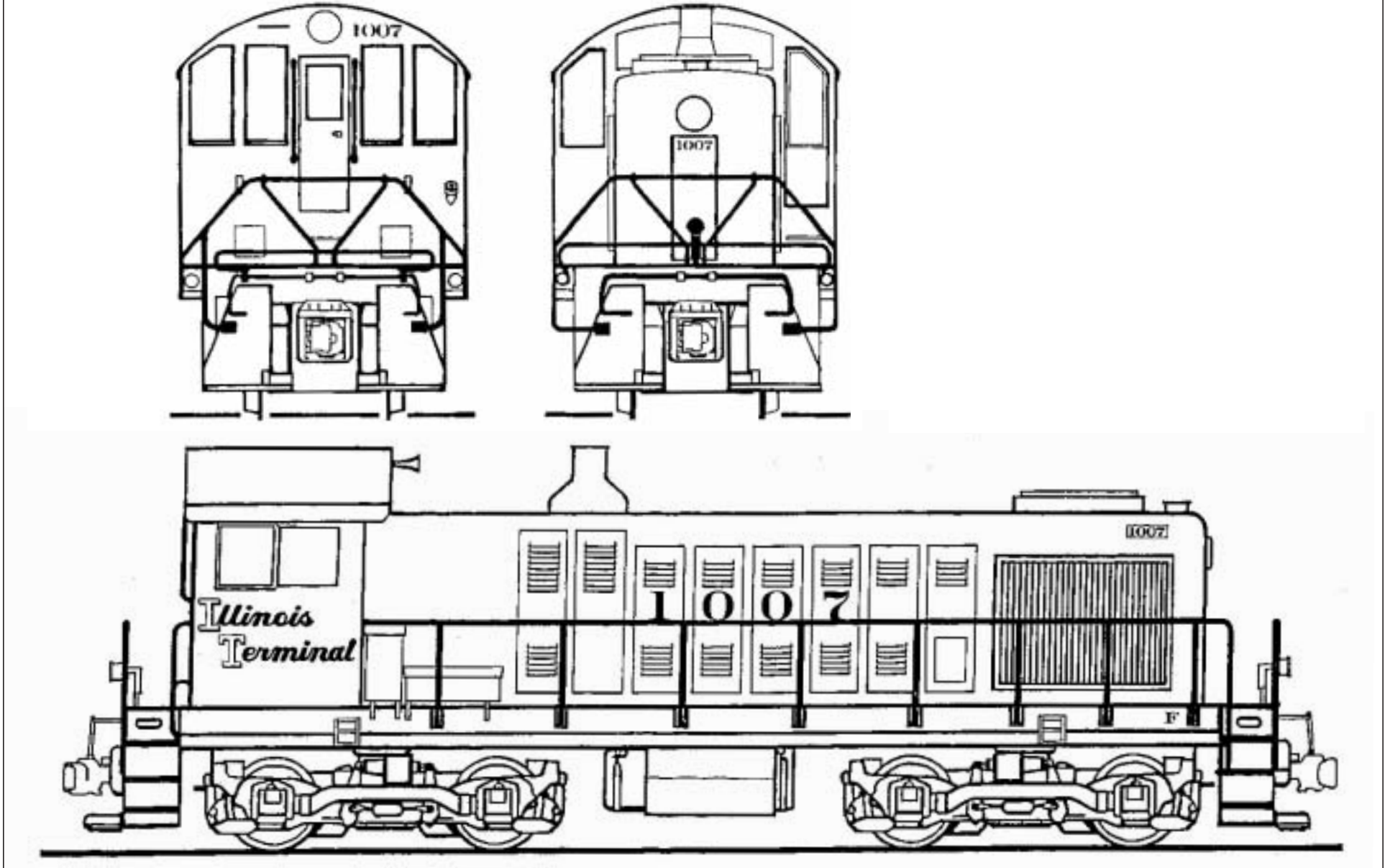
Scheme #1: All black with silver stack and horn, 6-inch white nose stripes and 2-inch box pin striping on sidesill walkway and battery box. White Roman lettering on body and white oval emblem and number on cab. White number on end of cab, right of headlight and "F" on sidesill walkway. After 1961, white scotchlite was applied to the sidesill walkway and trucks painted silver and "F" painted white. **Scheme #2:** Same as #1, except cab end striping went to roofline on numbers 704 and 705 only. Delivered in this scheme.

S2
Paint Scheme 3



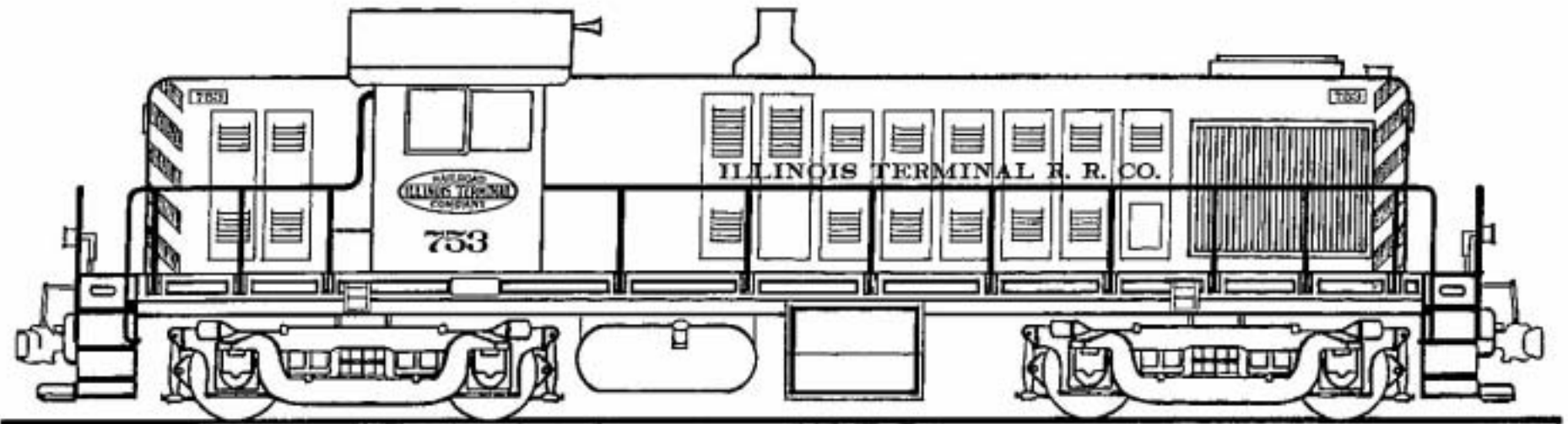
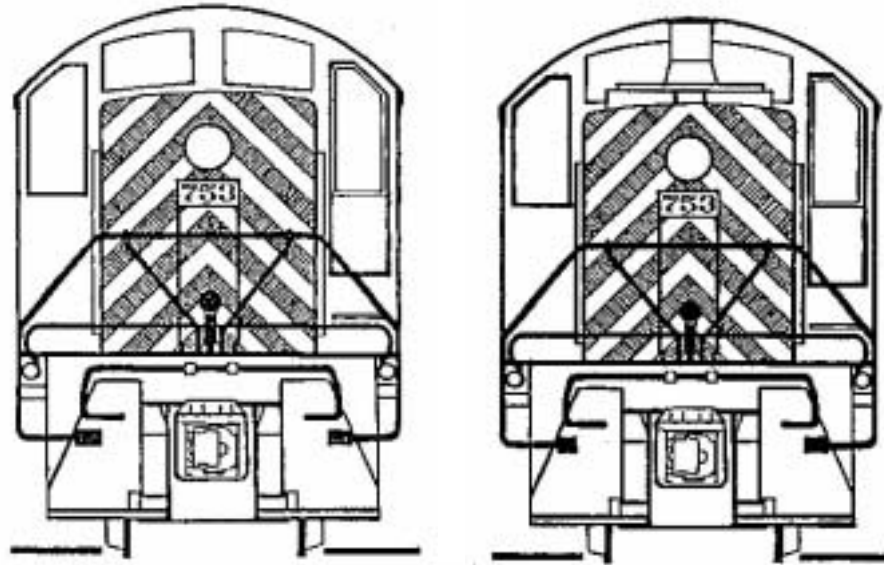
Scheme #3: Yellow ovals (on cab), green body, green script lettering with black shading behind the offset IT on cab with yellow number on body. Note the "I" of "Terminal" extends outside the yellow oval is painted yellow. Yellow number on end of cab, right of headlight. Four-inch yellow striping on pilot and silver undercarriage/trucks and exhaust stack. Battery box and hand rail stanchions painted green. "F" handrails and grab irons painted yellow.

S2
Paint Scheme 4



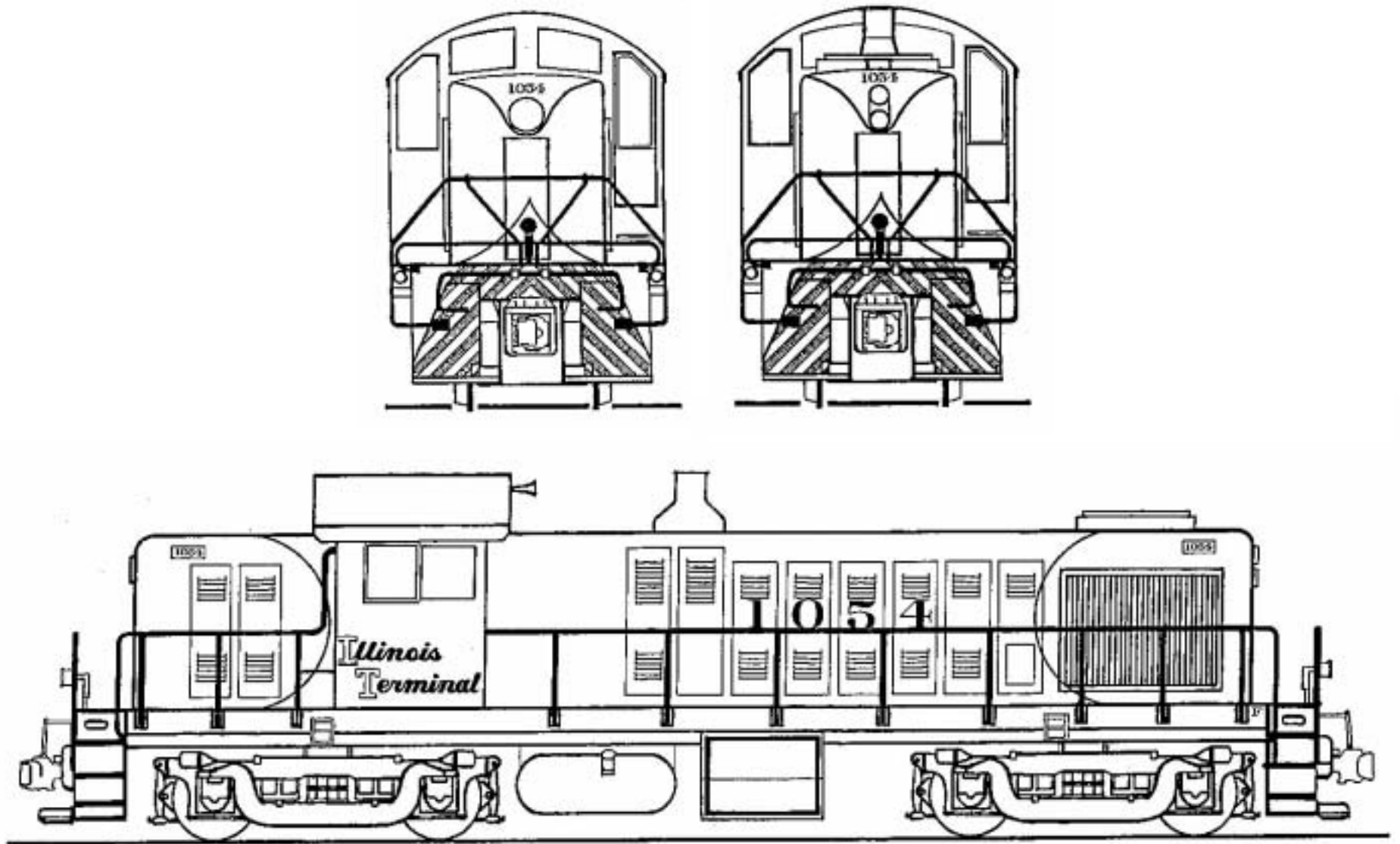
Scheme #4: All white cab/body, with blue undercarriage, trucks, horn, roof, and exhaust stack. Script lettering on cab and numbers on body are blue. Number on rear of cab to right of headlight and above front headlight. "F" painted blue. Radiator box on roof, handrails, stanchions, and grab irons painted white.

**RS1
Paint Scheme 1**



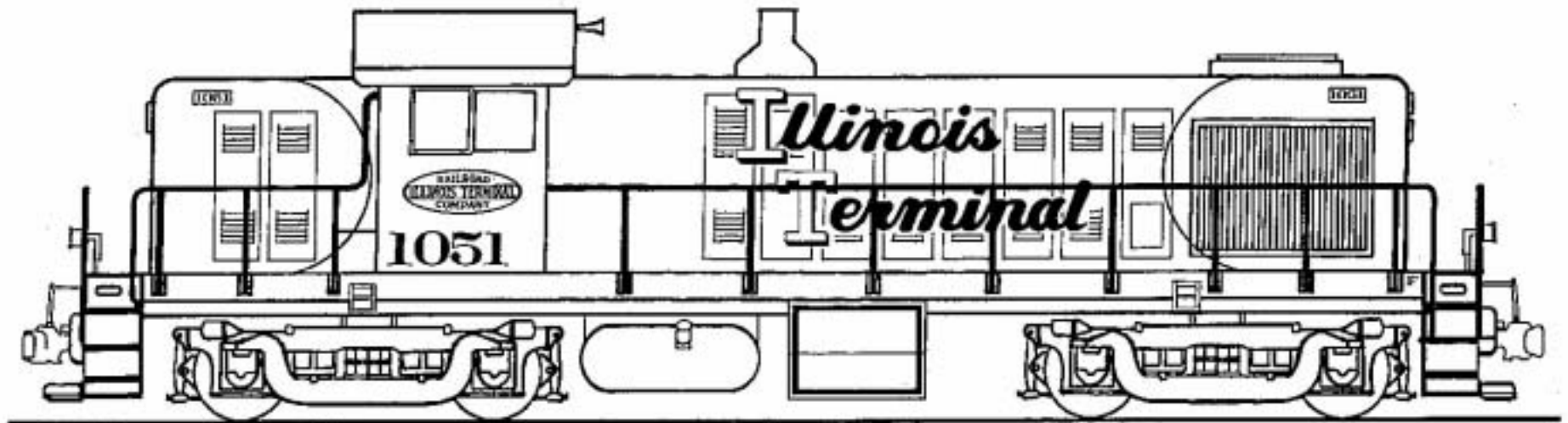
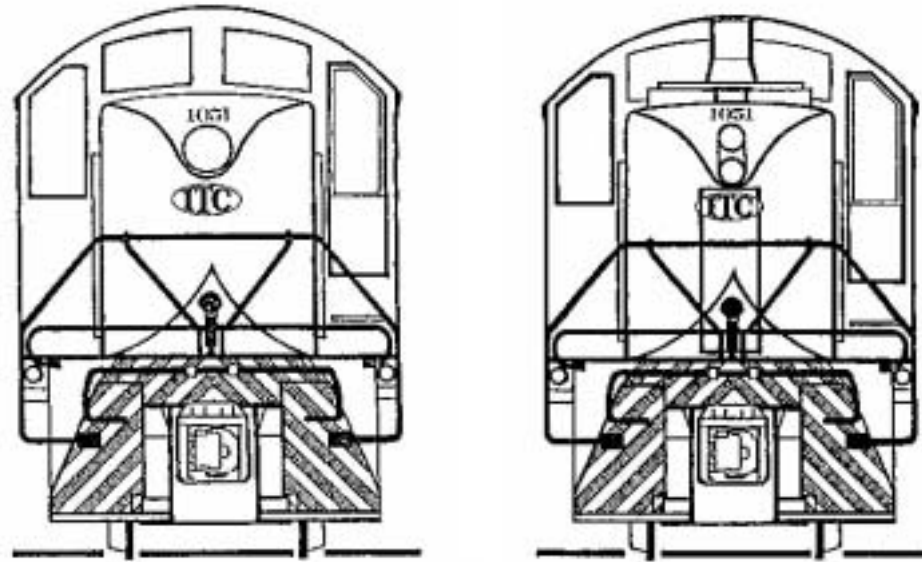
Scheme #1: All black with silver stack, with 6-inch white nose stripes and 2-inch box pin striping on side walkway and battery box. White Roman lettering on body and white oval emblem and number on cab.

**RS1
Paint Scheme 2**



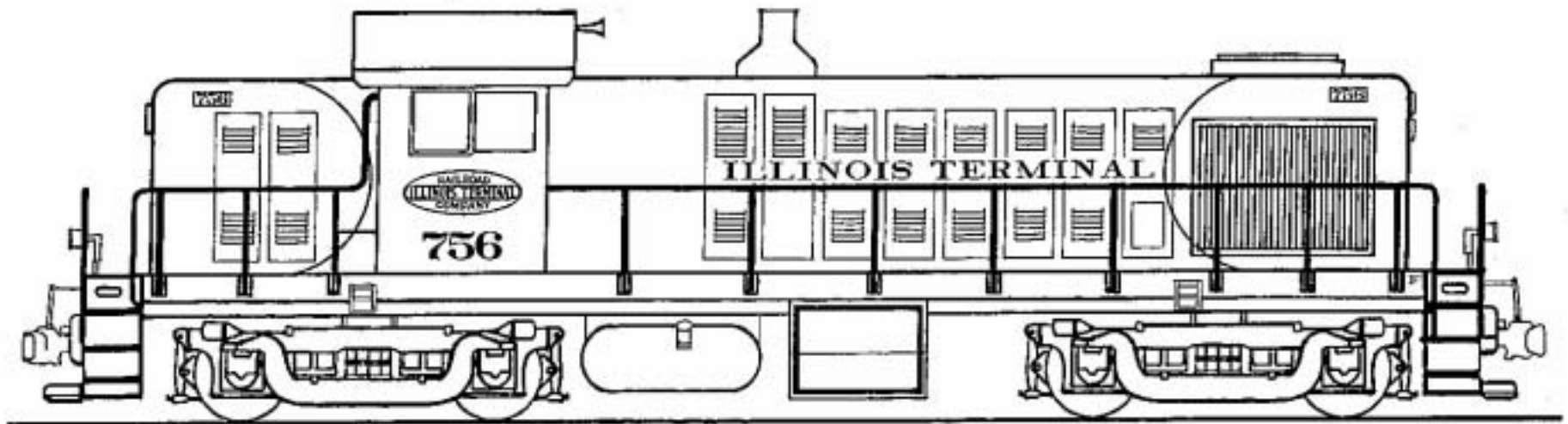
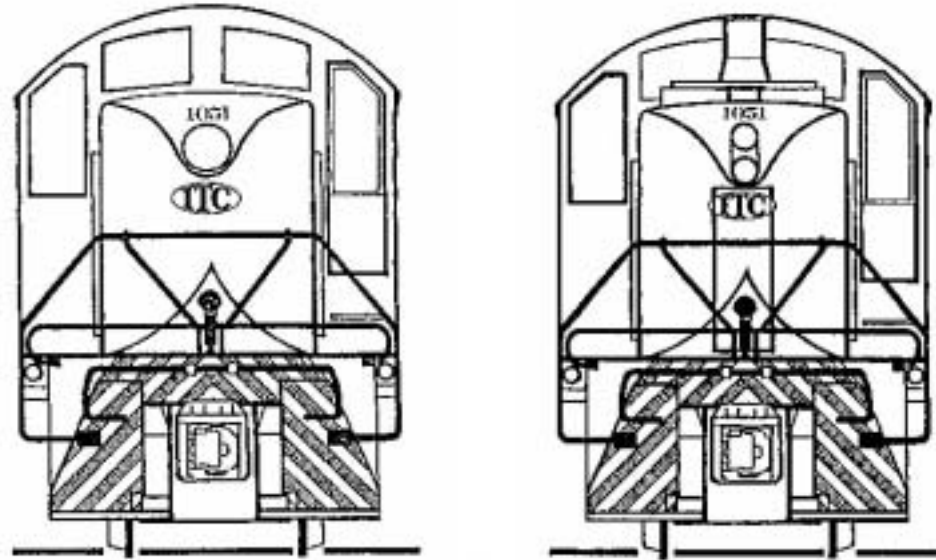
Scheme #2: Yellow ovals, green body, white roman lettering on body with oval emblem and number on cab. Silver undercarriage/trucks and exhaust stacks. Four-inch yellow striping on pilot and silver undercarriage/trucks and exhaust stacks. Battery box painted green. Handrails, stanchions, and grabirons painted yellow.

**RS1
Paint Scheme 3**



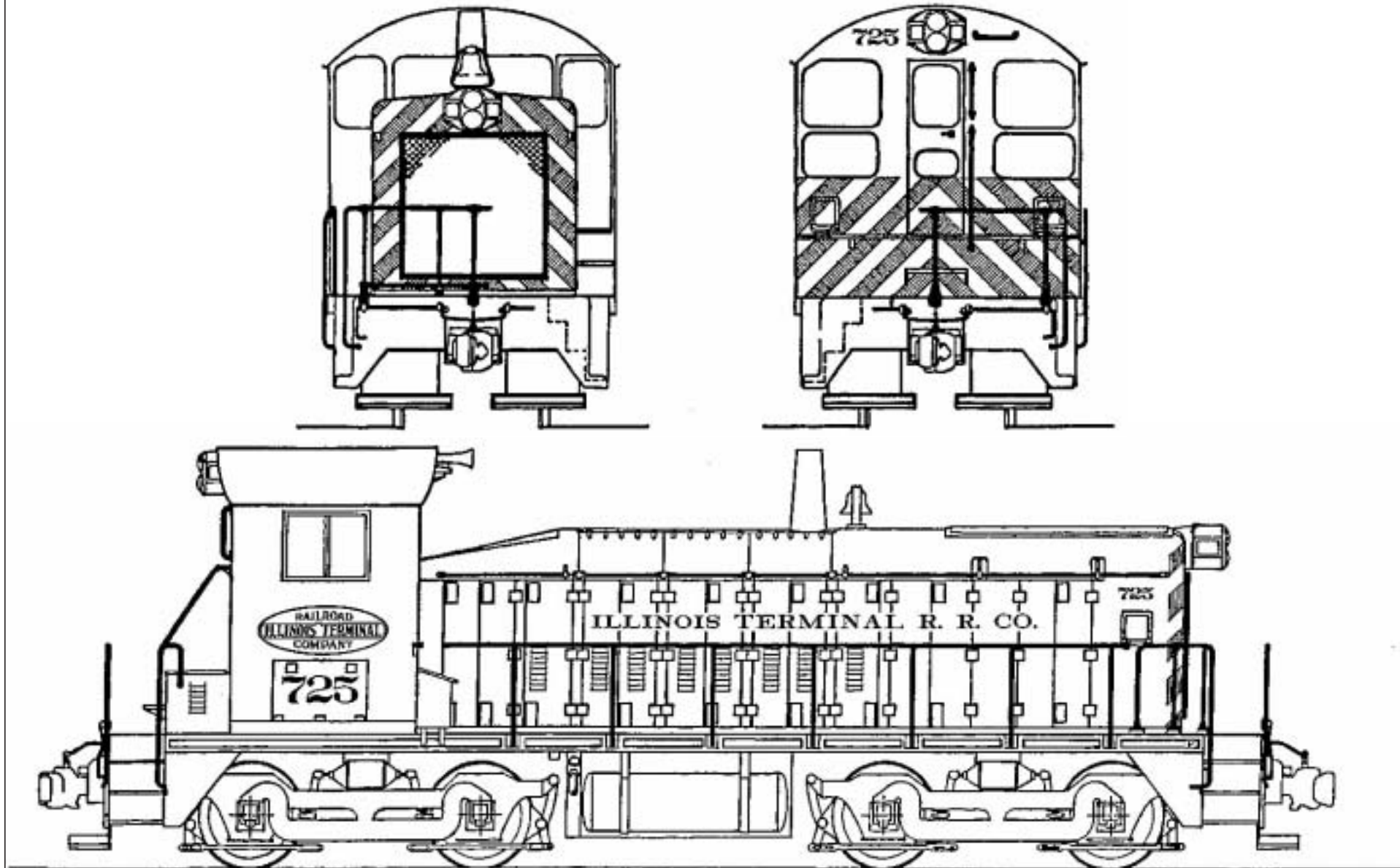
Scheme #3: Yellow ovals, green body, white script lettering on body with oval emblem and number on cab. Silver undercarriage/trucks and exhaust stacks. Four-inch yellow striping on pilot and silver undercarriage/trucks and exhaust stacks. Battery box painted green. Handrails, stanchions, and grabirons painted yellow.

**RS1
Paint Scheme 4**



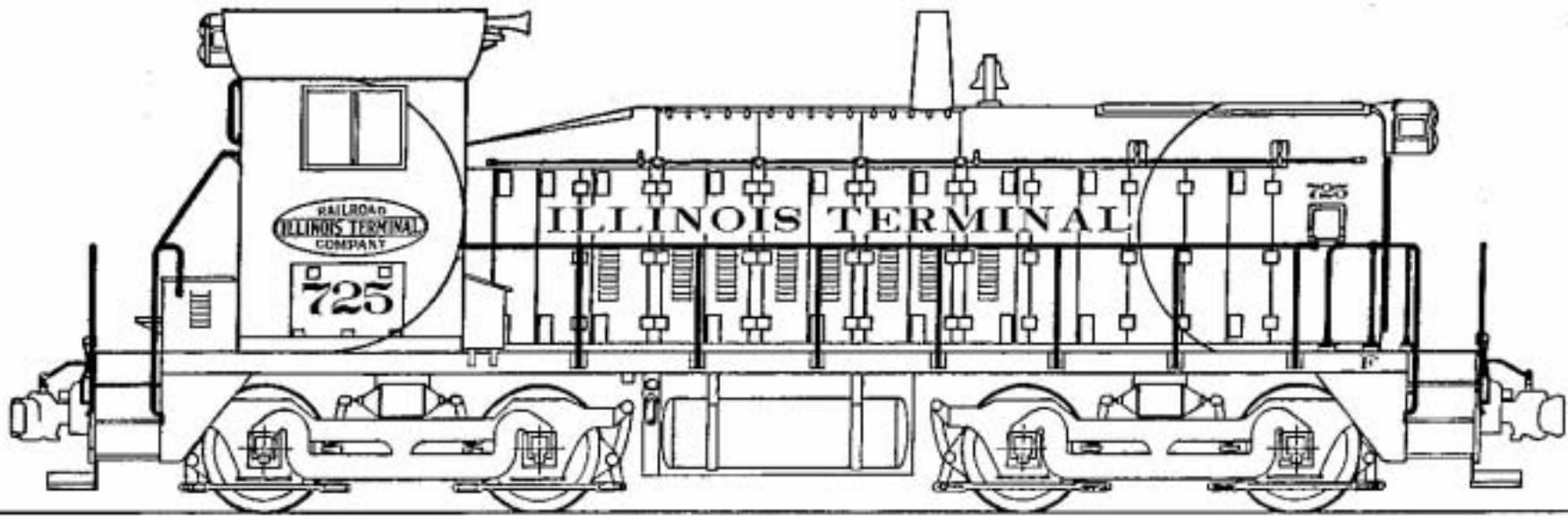
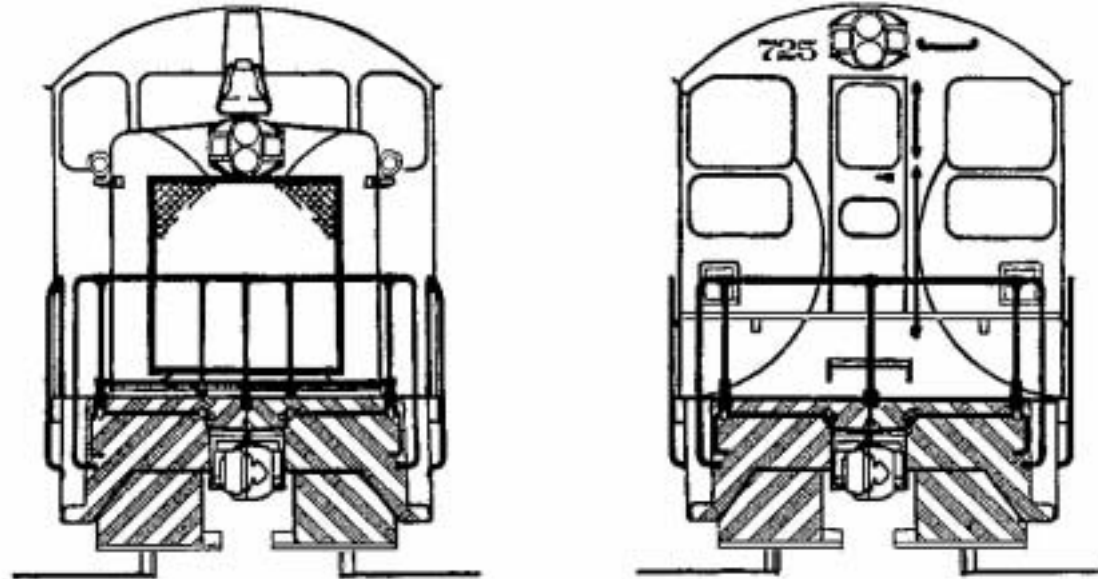
Scheme #4: Yellow ovals, green cab/body, yellow script lettering with black shading behind the offset IT on cab with yellow number on body. Four-inch yellow striping on pilot and silver undercarriage/trucks and exhaust stacks. Battery box painted green. Handrails, stanchions, and grabirons painted yellow.

SW800
Paint Scheme 1



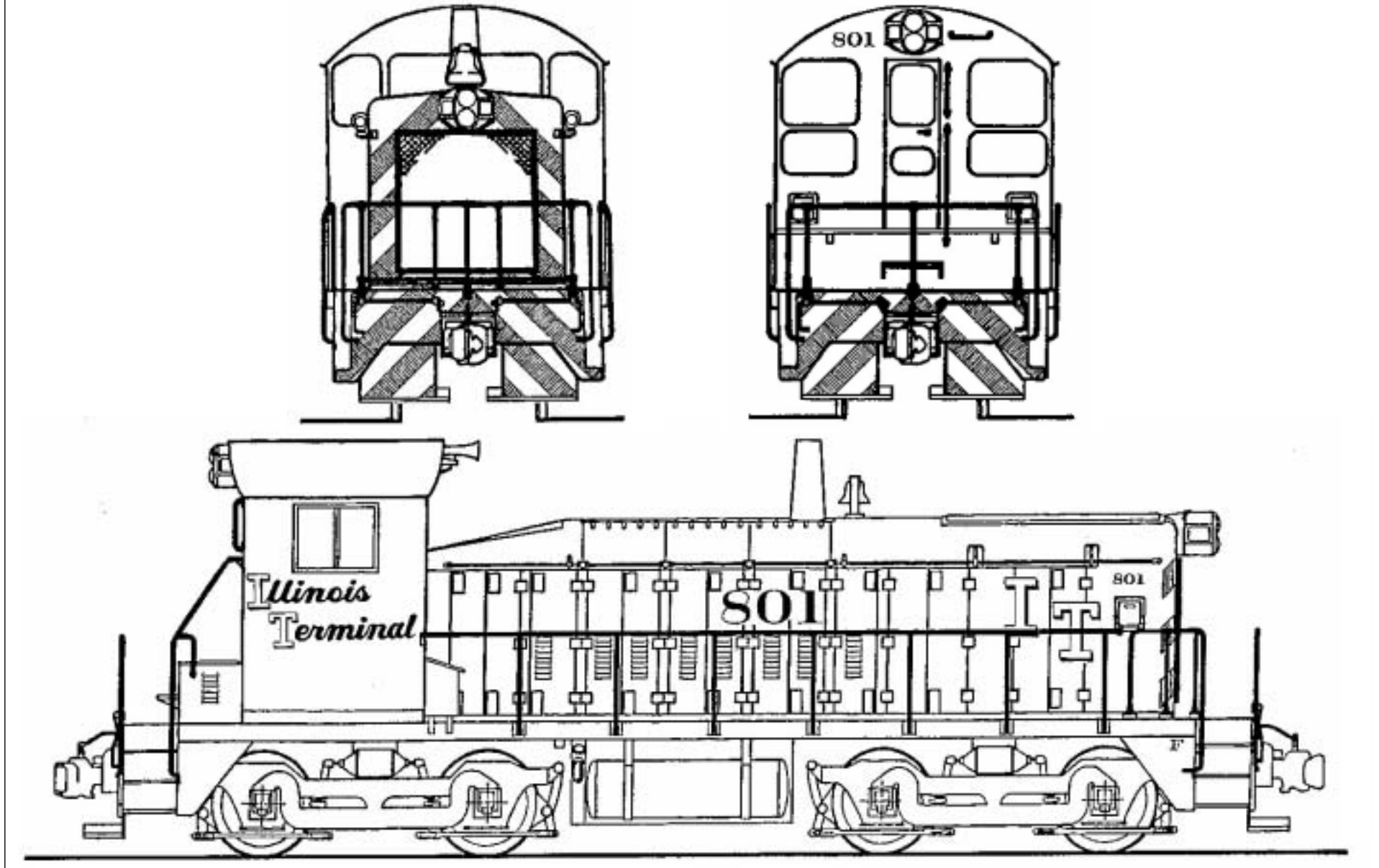
Scheme #1: All black with black exhaust stack. Six-inch white nose stripes and box pin striping on sides walkway. White Roman lettering on body and white oval emblem and number on cab. White number on end of cab, left of headlight and at front, side of bo

SW800
Paint Scheme 2



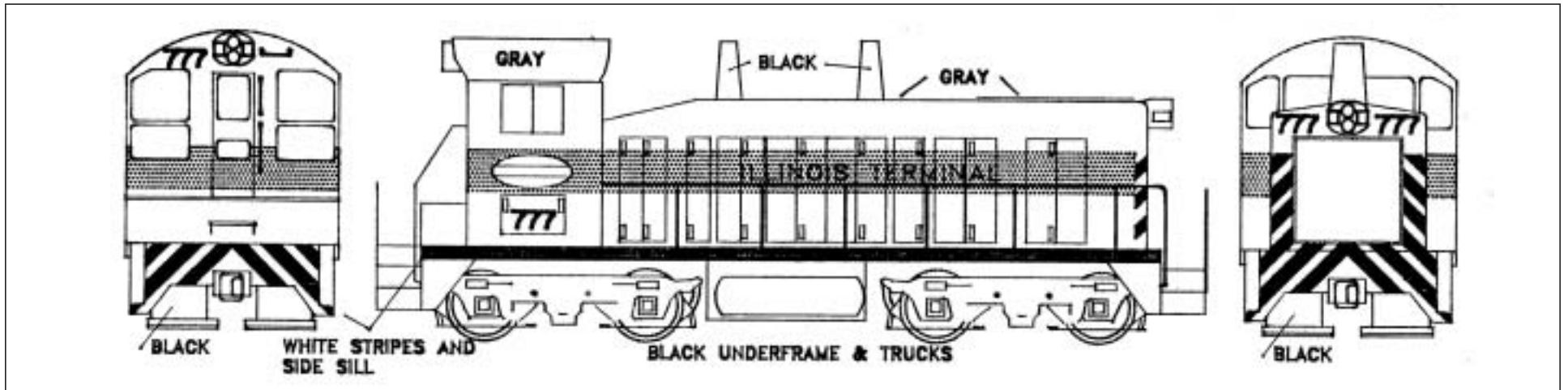
Scheme #2: Yellow ovals on cab/body with white roman lettering on body and green/white oval painted on cab. Green number on end of cab, right of headlight. Silver trucks, fuel tanks, horn, and black exhaust stack. After 1965, silver exhaust stack. Three-inch yellow/green pilot stripes. Yellow handrails, green stanchions on walkway. All remaining handrail stanchions are yellow.

SW800
Paint Scheme 3



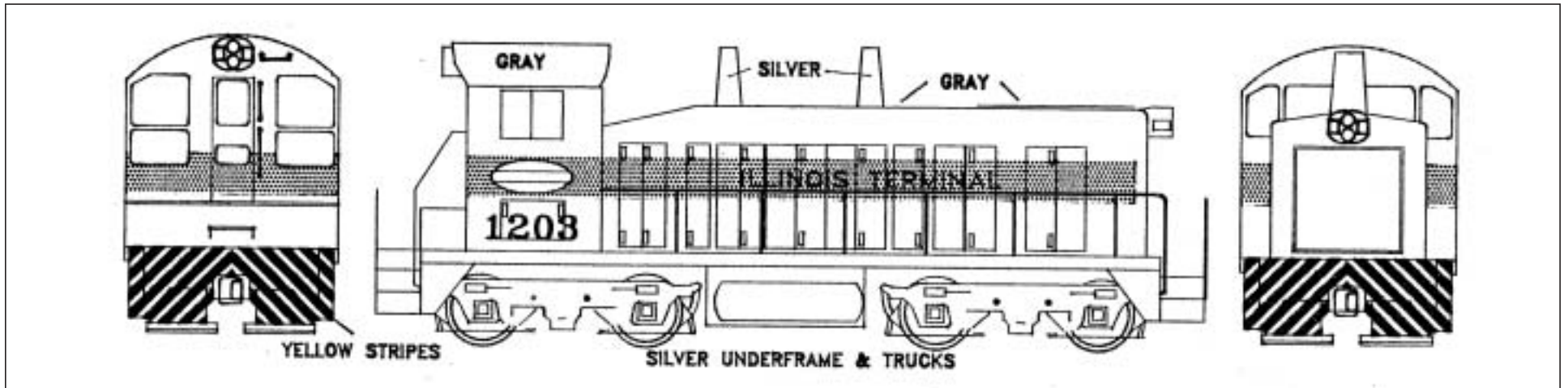
Scheme #3: Green body with yellow script lettering on cab and number on body and handrails/stanchions. Large offset "IT" on body with black shading. Yellow eight-inch stripes on each end, and on walkway side sill. Silver stacks, fuel tank and exhaust stack.

SW1200 Paint Scheme 1



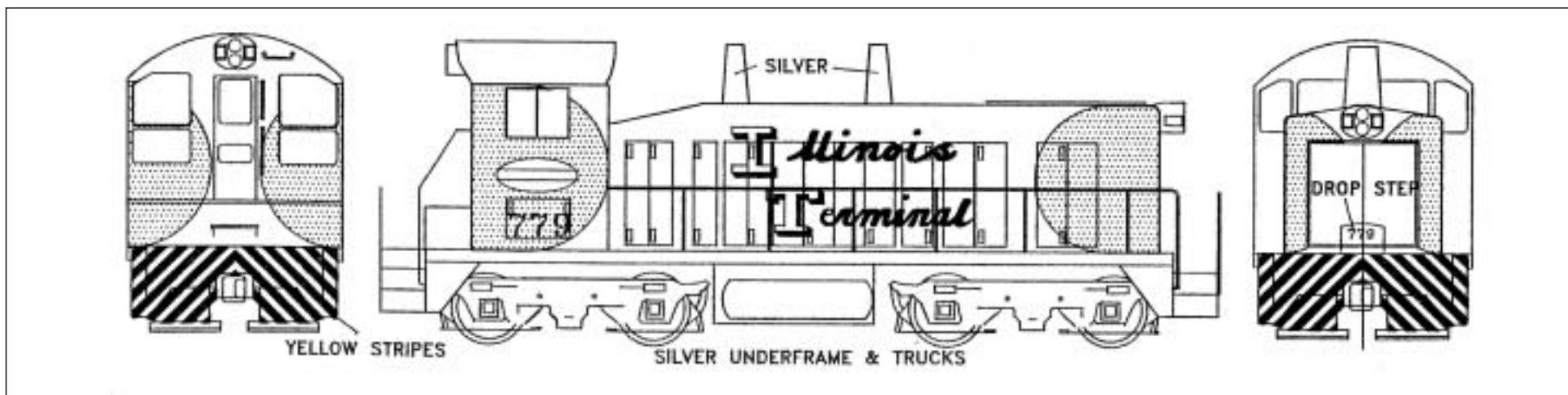
Scheme #1: Green body with 23 inch yellow band, 8 inch black number and lettering. White Scotchlite 45-degree angle striping 6 inches. Black exhaust stacks, trucks, fuel tanks, drop steps, and MU stands. Grey roof and green horn. Aluminum cab medallions covered with white scotchlight black lettering. "F" painted yellow.

SW1200 Paint Scheme 2



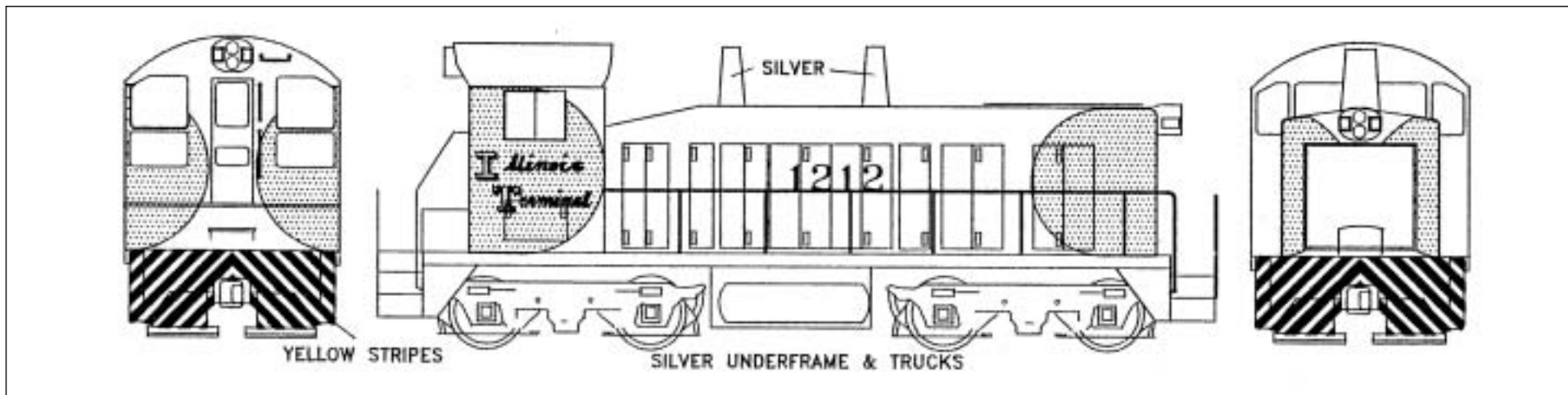
Scheme #2: Due to medallion condensation of moisture causing cab body to rust, was removed and green and white logo painted on cab. Fuel tanks, undercarriage, and trucks painted silver. Four-inch yellow stripes painted on pilots.

SW1200 Paint Scheme 3



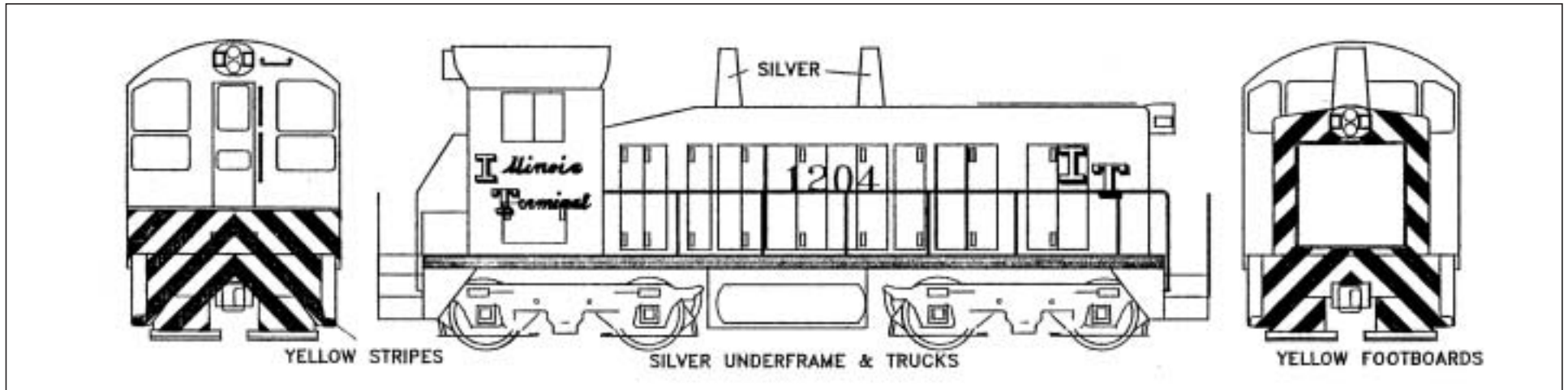
Scheme #3: Yellow ovals, green body. Black exhaust stacks until about 1966, then painted silver. White script lettering on body, green white painted oval, green numbers on cab and white numbers on drop ramp and "F." Stanchions painted green. Four-inch yellow pilot stripes, silver trucks, undercarriage, and fuel tanks. Check individual locomotive for correct placement of yellow oval positioning.

SW1200 Paint Scheme 4



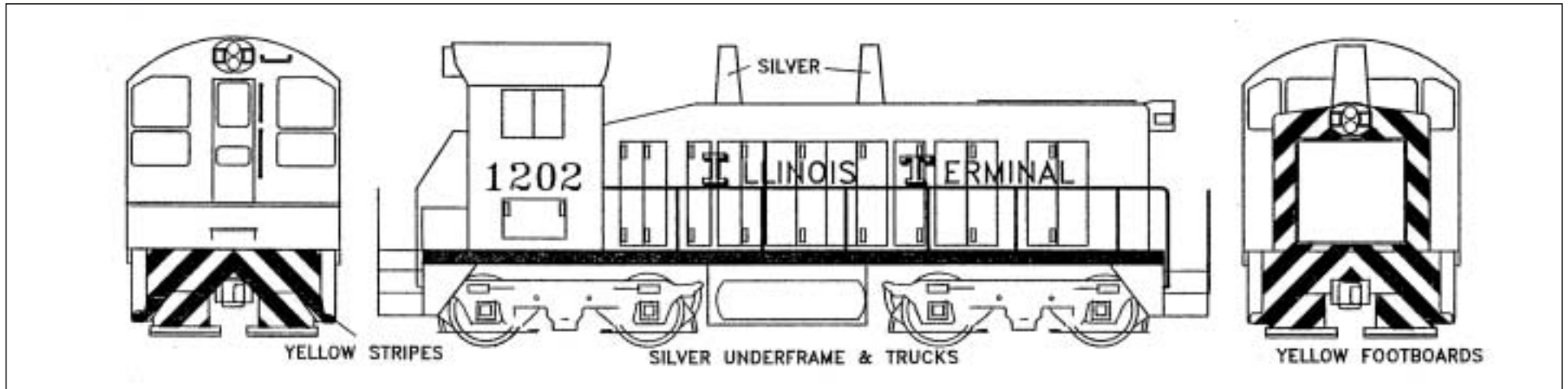
Scheme #4: Yellow ovals, green body, green script lettering with black shading on offset IT, yellow number on body. Eight-inch yellow striping and green stanchions. Silver exhaust stacks, trucks, undercarriage, and fuel tanks. Check individual locomotive for correct placement of yellow oval positioning.

SW1200 Paint Scheme 5



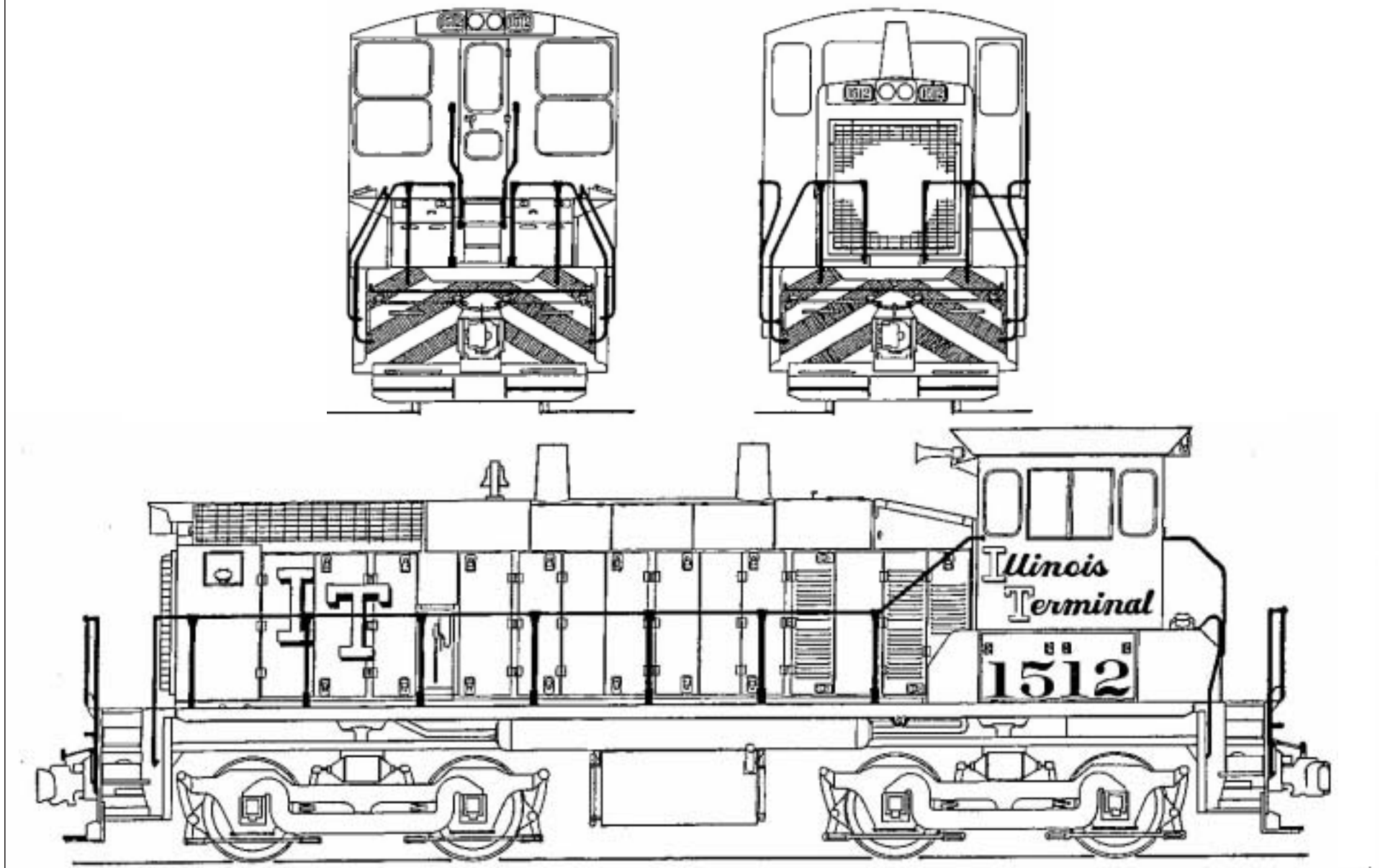
Scheme #5: Green body, yellow script with black shading on offset IT, yellow number on body and large offset IT on body. Eight inch yellow striping. Silver exhaust stacks, trucks and fuel tanks.

SW1200 Paint Scheme 6



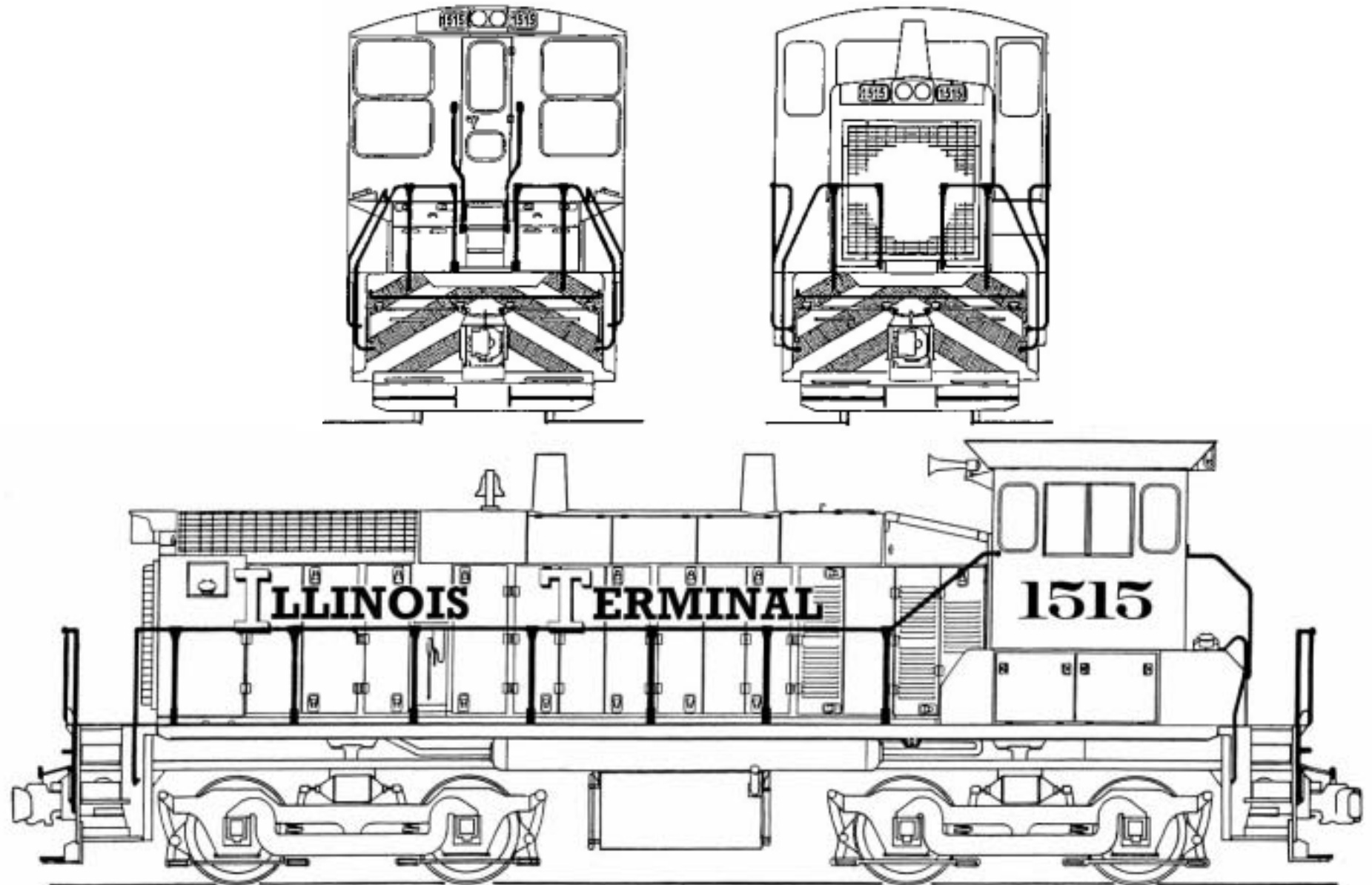
Scheme #6: Green body, yellow block lettering with red shading, yellow number on body. Eight inch yellow striping. Silver exhaust stacks, trucks and fuel tanks.

SW1500
Paint Scheme 1



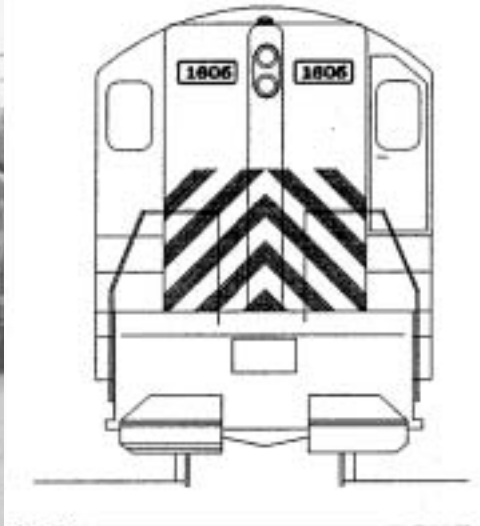
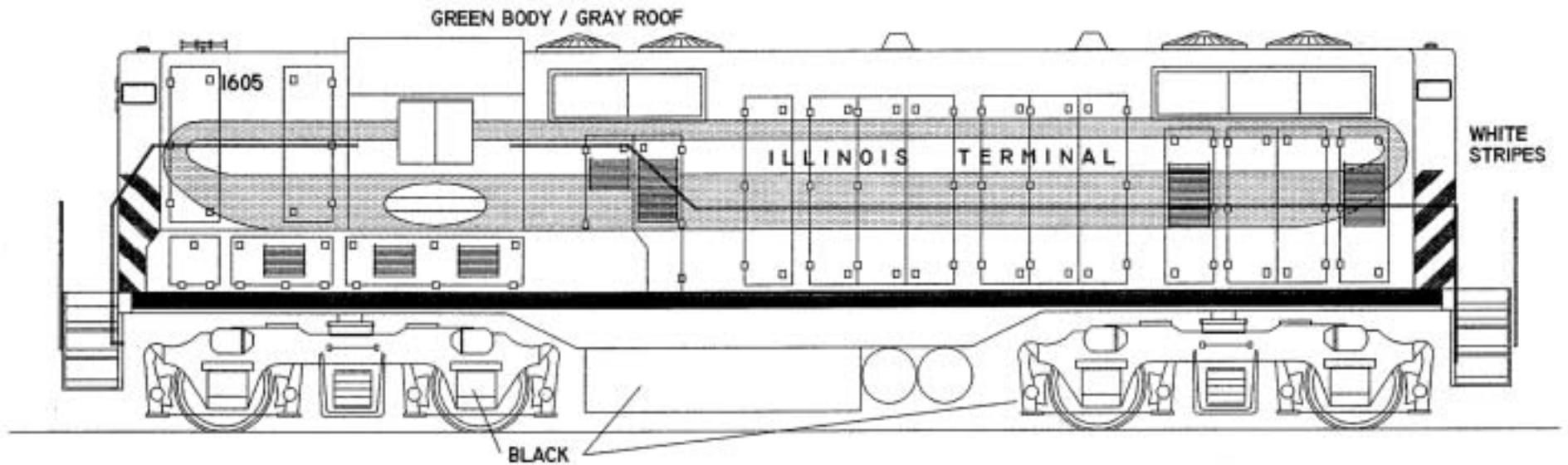
Scheme #1: Green body with yellow script lettering and number on cab. Yellow handrails/stanchions. Large offset "IT" on body with black shading. Yellow eight-inch stripes on walkway side sill and at each end at 30-degree angle. Silver fuel tank, trucks, cab roof, exhaust stacks, and undercarriage. Roof over engine compartment green. Handrails, stanchions, and grabirons yellow. Green "F" stenciled on side sill indicated "Front" of locomotive.

SW1500
Paint Scheme 2



Scheme #2: Same as scheme #1 except yellow block lettering on body and yellow number on cab. "IT" with red shading.

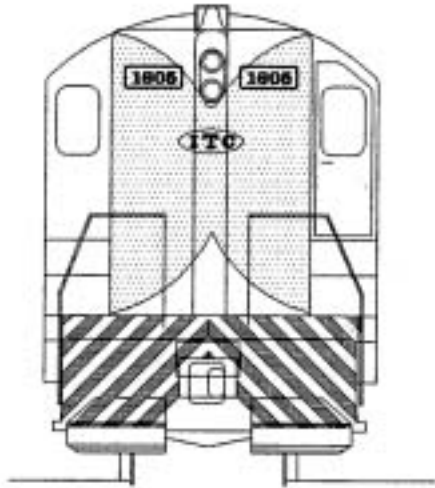
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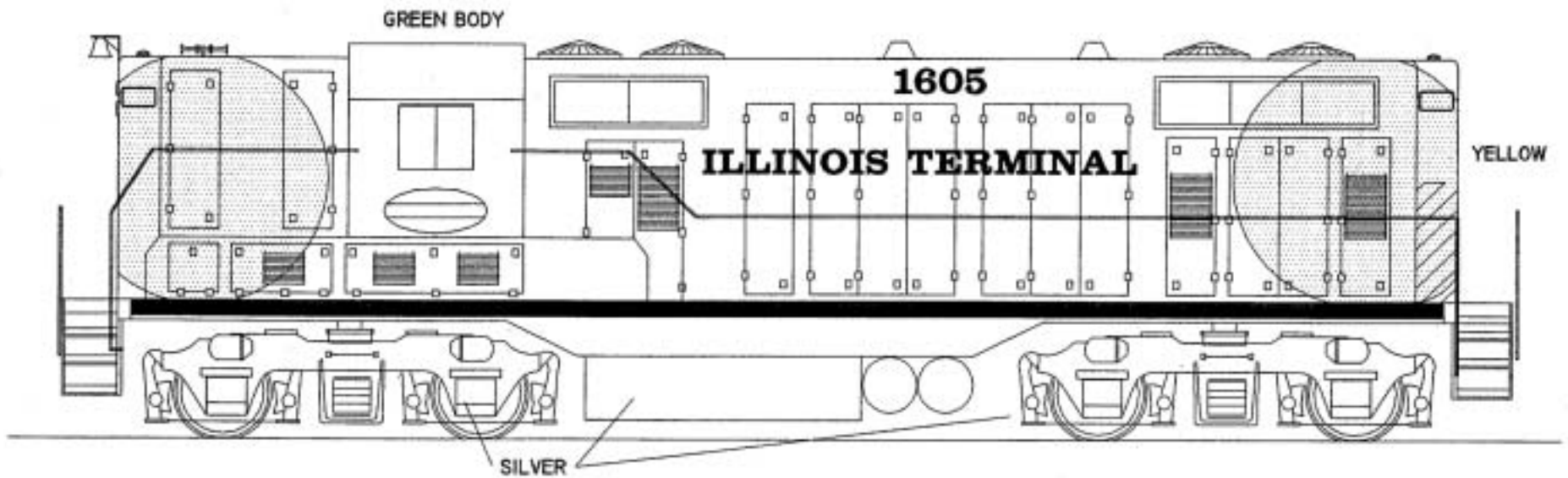
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Scheme #1: Yellow lettering and numbers. Medallion covered with white Scotchlite with black lettering. White scotchlite 6-inch nose striping on 45-degree angle, and sill walkway. Black, trucks, fuel tank, and undercarriage. Yellow stanchions, handrails, grabirons and "F."

GP7 Paint Scheme 2

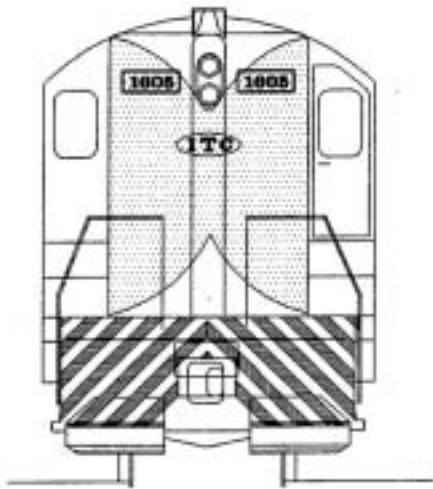
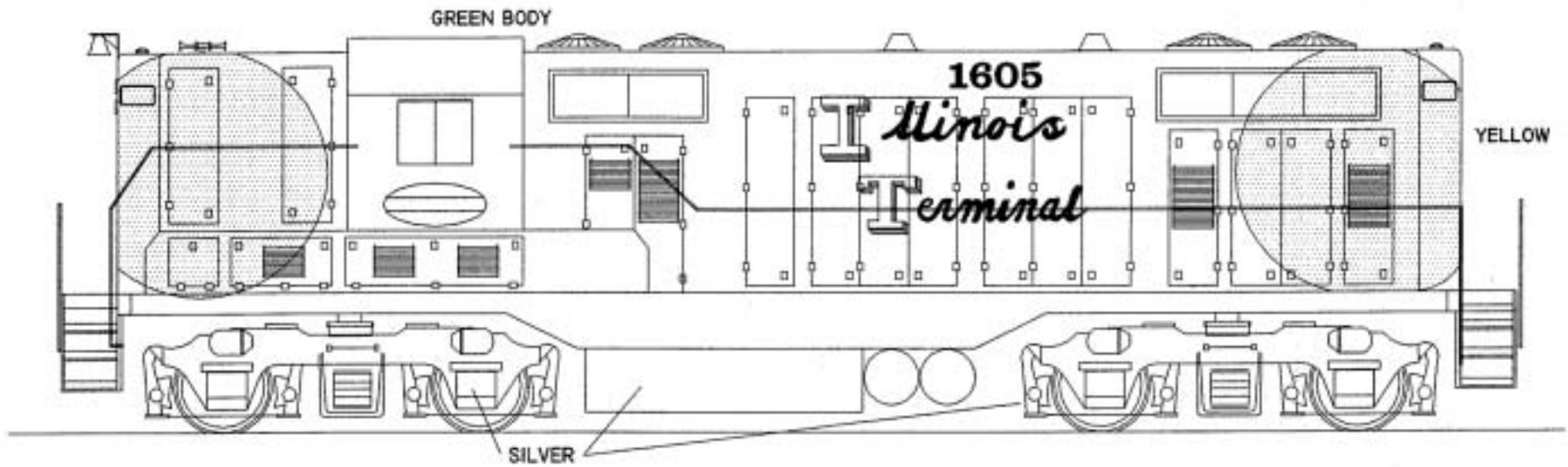


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Scheme #2: Logo, roman name, and number in white. Yellow pilot stripes are 4-inch width. Yellow stanchions, handrails, grabirons, and "F."

GP7 Paint Scheme 3

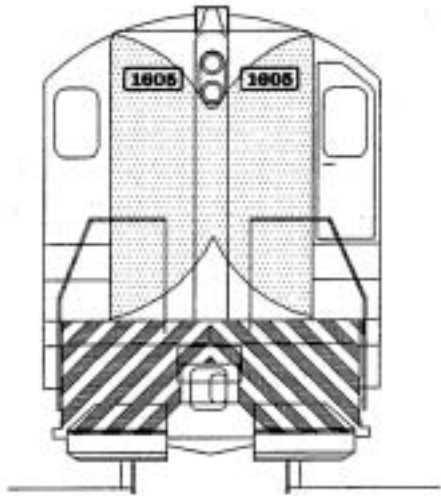


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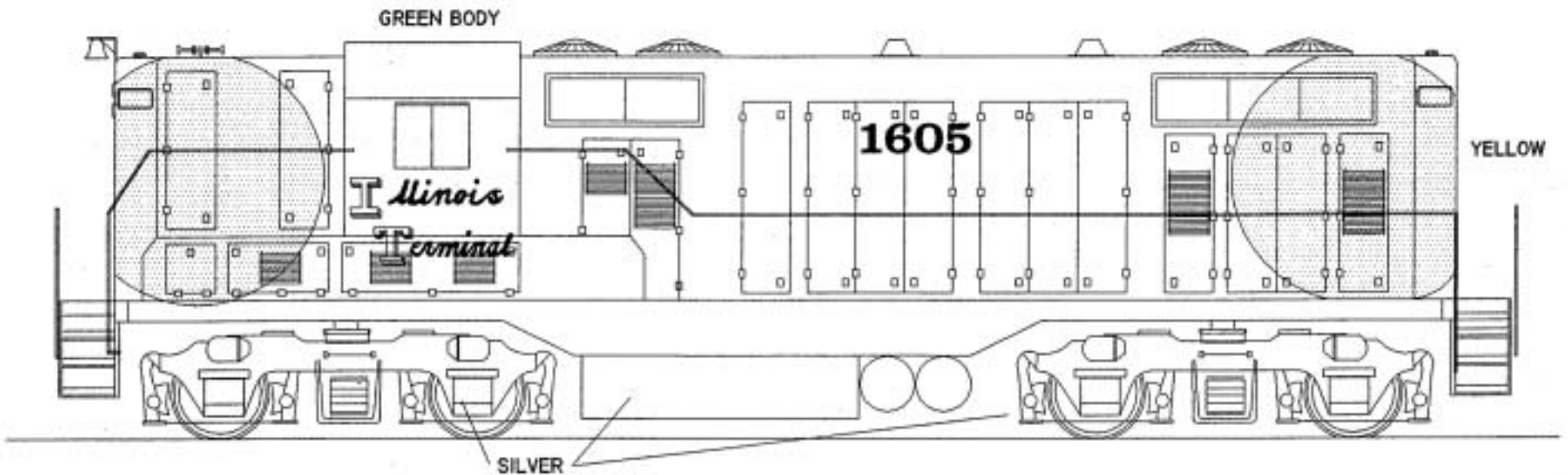
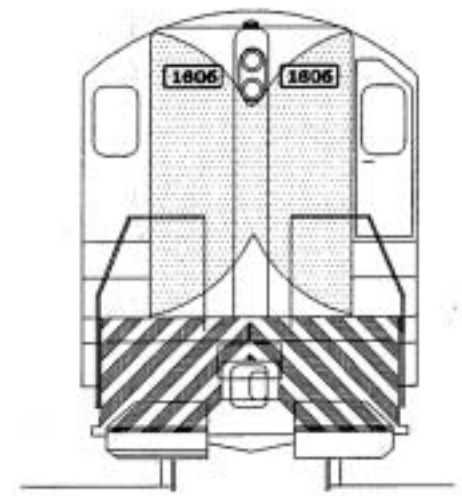


Scheme #3: Logo, script name and number in white. Yellow pilot stripes are 4-inch width. Yellow stanchions, handrails, grabirons, and "F"

GP7 Paint Scheme 4

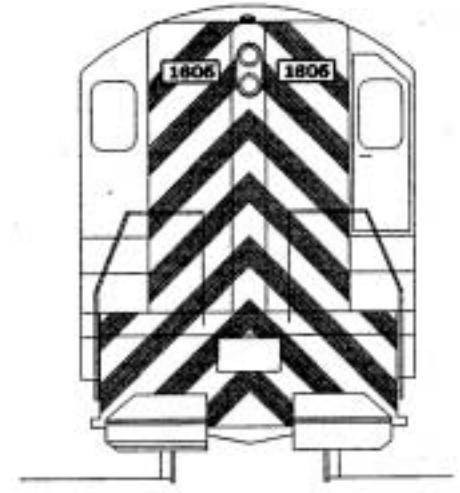
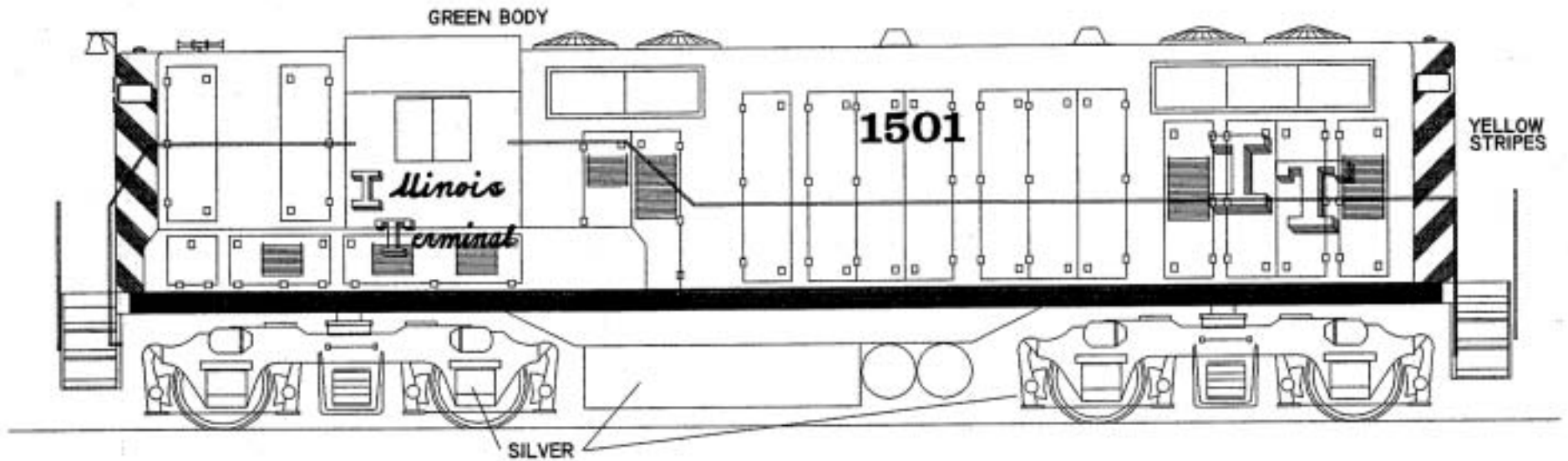


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Scheme #4: Script lettering and numbers yellow on cab. Offset "IT" with black shading. Yellow pilot stripes are 4-inch width. Yellow stanchions, handrails, grabirons, and "E."

GP7 Paint Scheme 5



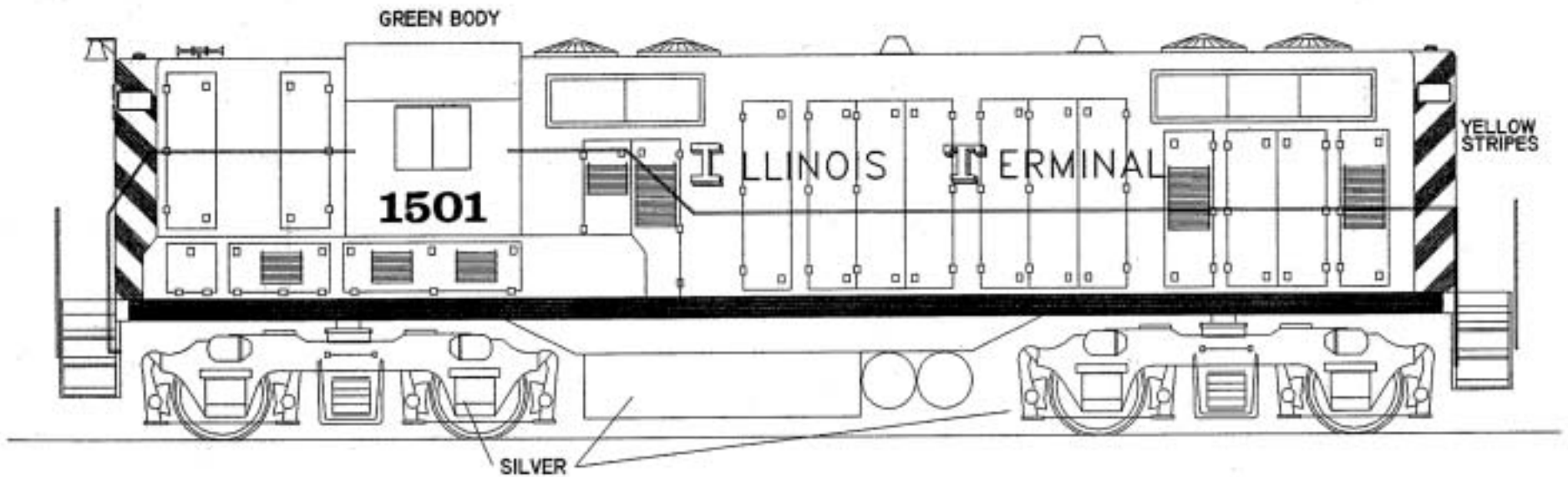
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Scheme #5: Script lettering and numbers are yellow. Striping 8-inch, 30 degree angle. After 1977, red shading of the offset "IT" cab script lettering replaced the black shading on certain units as indicated. The yellow stripe on the side sill of walkway extends to and includes storage box lid above top of fuel tank. Certain units had yellow stripe on side of walkway sill only as indicated. Yellow stanchions, handrails, and grabirons. Green "F."

GP7 Paint Scheme 6

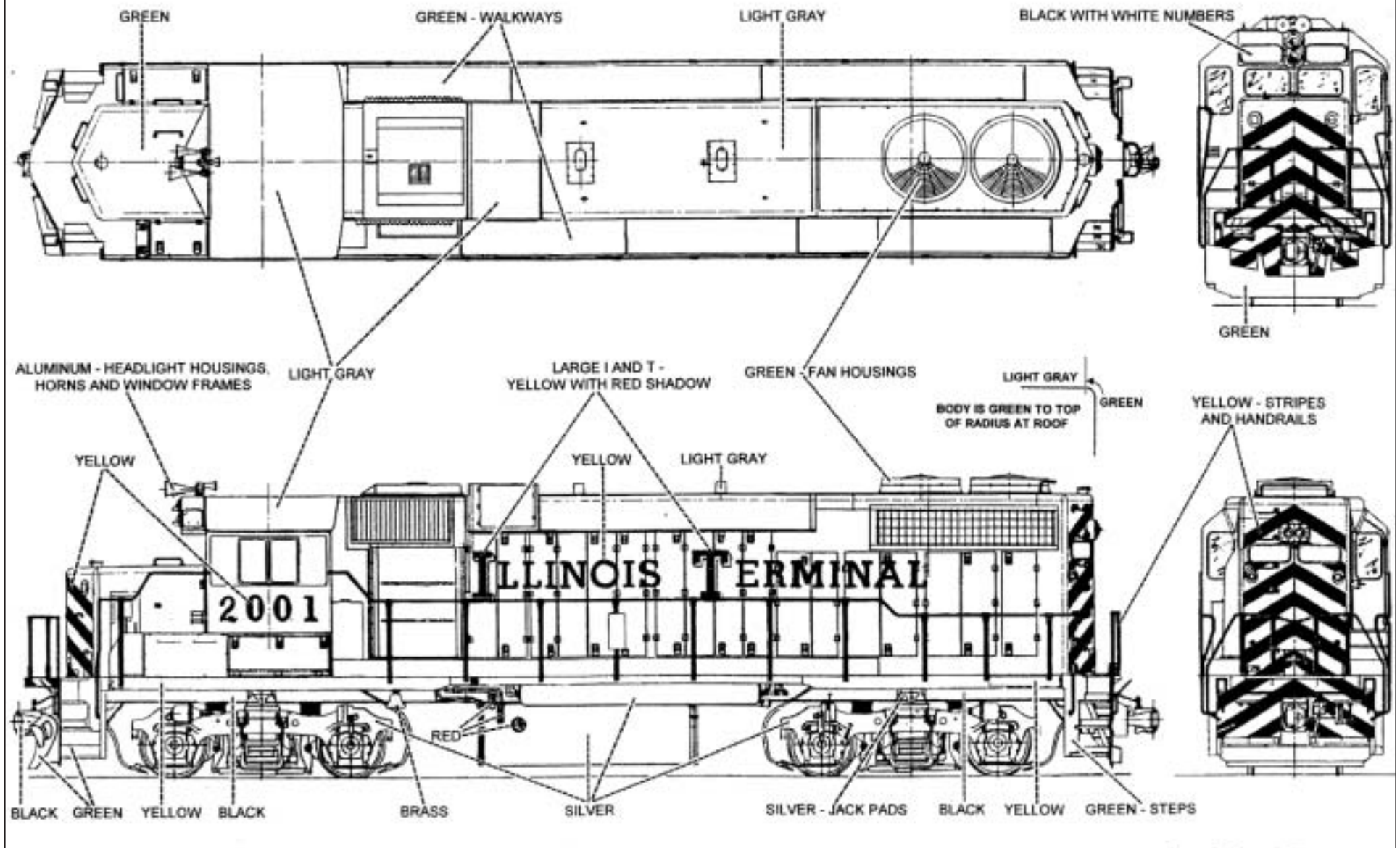


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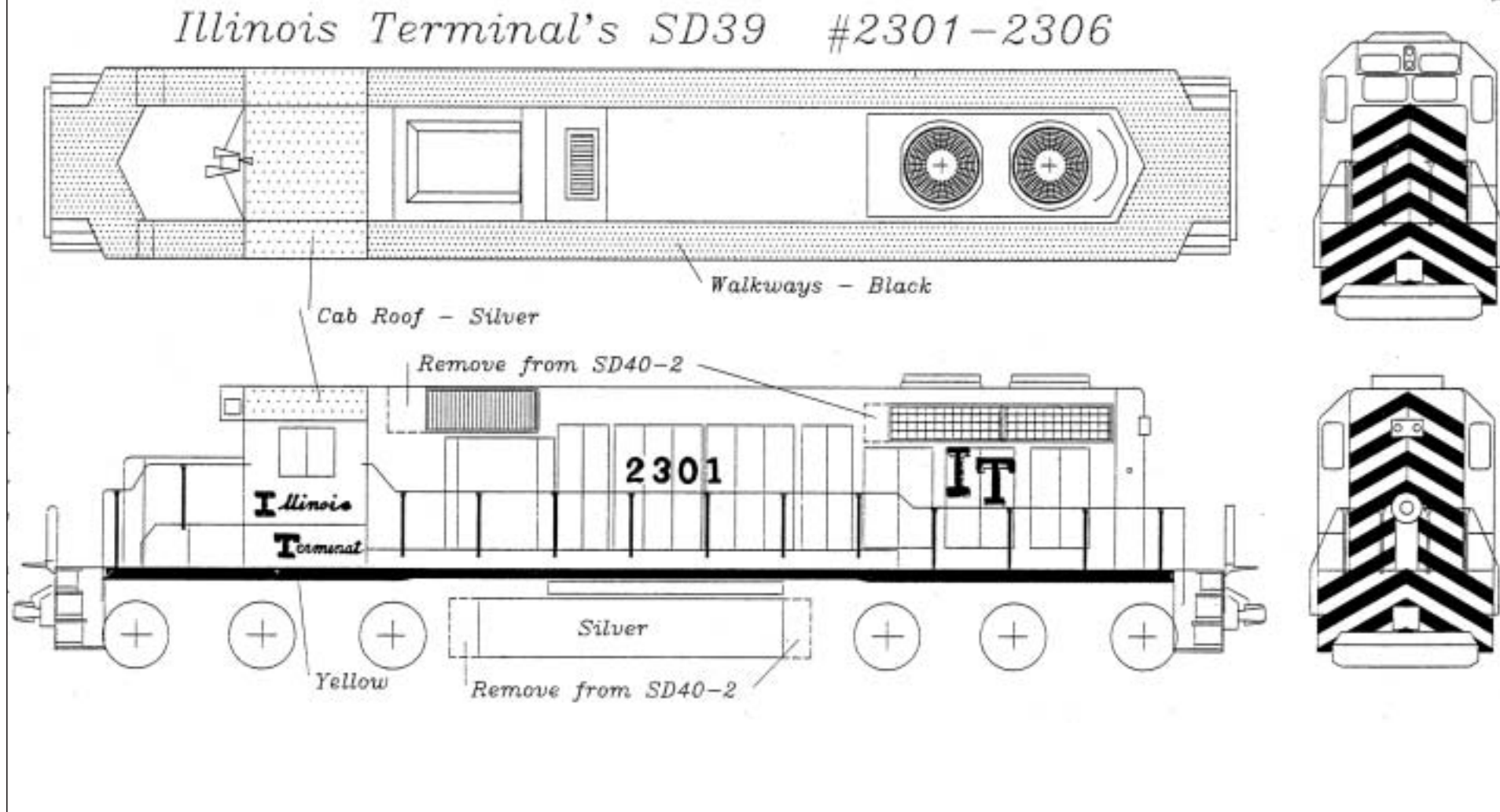
Scheme #6: Striping 8-inch, 30 degree angle. Yellow stanchions, handrails, and grabirons. Green "F." Red MU caps. Note: Block lettering on 1505 sits lower in position than 1506.

GP38-2 Paint Scheme



Scheme #1: Green body with yellow block lettering on body and yellow number on cab. Yellow handrails/stanchions. Large offset "IT" on body with red shading. Yellow eight-inch stripes on each end, and on walkway side sill. Silver fuel tank, trucks, and undercarriage. Roof over engine compartment light gray, roof of front nose green. Side of roof fan housing green. Handrails, stanchions, and grabirons yellow.

SD39 Paint Scheme



Scheme #1: Green body with yellow script lettering and number on cab. Yellow handrails/stanchions. Large offset "IT" on body with black shading. Yellow eight-inch stripes on walkway side sill and at each end at 30-degree angle. Silver fuel tank, trucks, cab roof, exhaust stacks, and undercarriage. Roof over engine compartment and cab silver. Roof of front and fan shrouds on engine compartment roof green. Handrails, stanchions, and grabirons yellow. Green "F" stenciled on side sill indicated "Front" of locomotive.

Scheme #2: Same as scheme #1 except yellow block lettering on body and yellow number on cab. "IT" with red shading.