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**NOTICE**

TO: All Carriers and Labor Organizations

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RE: Materials for the National Mediation Board's New Voting Procedures

Effective July 1, 2010, the National Mediation Board's (NMB or Board) voting procedures for representation elections were changed to add a "No" option and to provide that the majority of valid votes cast would determine the outcome of an election. 29 CFR Parts 1202 and 1206. The rule does not alter the Board's practice of allowing write-in votes or its run-off procedures. The new procedures only apply to applications filed on or after July 1, 2010, and the new voting system will be implemented for elections starting on or after September 17, 2010.

Attached are a sample revised Notice and Instructions, and the updated sections of the Board's Representation Manual.

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