



NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

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In the Matter of the
SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

31 NMB No. 85

CASE NO. A-13220

NOTICE OF HEARING

May 19, 2004

Pursuant to the Railway Labor Act (RLA), 45 U.S.C. § 159a, and by Executive Order 13334, dated April 10, 2004, effective April 12, 2004, the President established Emergency Board No. 237 to investigate and report on a dispute between the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA) and certain of its employees represented by the United Transportation Union (UTU).

On May 11, 2004, the Emergency Board submitted its report to the President and its recommendations for settlement of the various issues in dispute.

Section 9a(d) of the RLA provides:

Within 60 days after the creation of an emergency board under this section, if there has been no settlement between the parties, the National Mediation Board shall conduct a public hearing on the dispute at which each party shall appear and provide testimony setting forth the reasons it has not accepted the recommendations of the emergency board for settlement of the dispute.

NOTICE is hereby given that the National Mediation Board (NMB) will conduct a public hearing on Monday, June 7, 2004 at 1:00 p.m., ET at the NMB's Offices, 1301 K Street, N.W., Suite 250 East, Washington, D.C. 20005. If there has been no settlement between the parties, they shall appear and provide testimony setting forth the reasons why they have not accepted the recommendations of Emergency Board No. 237 for settlement of the dispute.

PURPOSE OF THE HEARING

The hearing required by Section 9a is intended to provide information as to the positions of the parties and in particular to allow the parties to explain why they have not accepted the recommendations of the Emergency Board for settlement of the dispute. The statute does not require the NMB to make any order or issue any report, comment or recommendation about the testimony provided.

Each party may be represented by an attorney or official who will make an oral presentation. There will be no examination of witnesses, however, the parties may file written statements with the Board.

The UTU will make the first presentation, followed by SEPTA. If time permits, the parties may make brief rebuttal presentations.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.



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