



NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD
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In the Matter of the

REPRESENTATION OF
EMPLOYEES

of

AUSTIN WESTERN RAILROAD

Train & Engine Service Employees

40 NMB No. 48

CASE NO. R-7355

DISMISSAL

April 19, 2013

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by Union Free on February 1, 2013, to investigate and determine who may represent for the purposes of the Railway Labor Act (RLA), as provided by Section 2, Ninth, thereof, personnel described as "Train & Engine Service Employees," employees of Austin Western Railroad (Carrier).

At the time this application was received, these employees were represented by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen.

The Board assigned Investigator Norman L. Graber to investigate.

FINDINGS

The investigation disclosed that a dispute existed among the craft or class of Train & Engine Service Employees, and by direction of the Board, the Investigator was instructed to conduct an election to determine the employees' representation choice.

The following is the result of the election as reported by Investigator Graber.

<u>Election Results for Train & Engine Service Employees</u>	
Eligible Employees	11
Total Valid Votes	9
Union Free	0
BLET	4
Void Votes	0
“No” Votes	5

The Board further finds that: the Carrier and employees in this case are, respectively, a Carrier and employees within the meaning of the RLA, as amended; this Board has jurisdiction over the dispute involved herein; and the interested parties, as well as the Carrier, were given due notice of the Board's investigation.

On the basis of the investigation and report of election which establishes that a majority of the valid votes cast was for no representation, the Board finds no basis for certification and the application is, therefore, dismissed subject to Part 1206.4(b) of the NMB Rules.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.



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