

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

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In the Matter of the

REPRESENTATION OF EMPLOYEES

of

METRO-NORTH COMMUTER RAILROAD

Bartenders

31 NMB No. 10

CASE NO. R-6967

CERTIFICATION

November 6, 2003

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by the Transport Workers Union of America (TWU) on September 9, 2003, 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 "Bartenders," employees of Metro-North Commuter Railroad (Carrier).

At the time this application was received, these employees were represented by the Hotel Employees & Restaurant Employees International Union and the TWU.

The Board assigned Investigator Eileen M. Hennessey to investigate.

FINDINGS

The investigation disclosed that a majority of eligible employees in the craft or class had signed authorization cards which authorize the TWU to represent them for the purposes of the RLA. The Investigation further disclosed that the Carrier did not object to representation of the craft or class by the TWU.

The following is the result of the check of validity as reported by Investigator Hennessey.

Number of Employees Signing Authorizations:

	Valid <u>Authorizations</u>	Number of Employees <u>Eligible</u>
Bartenders	20	29

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; that this Board has jurisdiction over the dispute involved herein; and that the interested parties, as well as the Carrier, were given due notice of the Board's investigation.

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NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with Section 2, Ninth, of the RLA, as amended, and based upon its investigation pursuant thereto, the Board certifies that the TWU has been duly designated and authorized to represent for the purposes of the RLA, as amended, the craft or class of Bartenders, employees of Metro-North Commuter Railroad, its successors and assigns.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.

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