

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

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In the Matter of the

REPRESENTATION OF EMPLOYEES

of

GATE SERVE, LLC

In-Flight Kitchen, Catering and Related Employees 31 NMB No. 61

CASE NO. R-6992 (File No. CR-6839)

CERTIFICATION

February 6, 2004

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by the IBT/HERE Employee Representatives' Council on January 21, 2004, 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 "In-Flight Kitchen, Catering and Related Employees," employees of Gate Serve, LLC (Carrier).

At the time this application was received, these employees were not represented by any organization or individual.

The Board assigned Investigator Susanna C. Fisher to investigate.

FINDINGS

The investigation disclosed that a majority of eligible employees in the craft or class had signed authorization cards which authorize the IBT/HERE Employee Representatives' Council 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 IBT/HERE Employee Representatives' Council. The following is the result of the check of validity as reported by Investigator Fisher.

Number of Employees Signing Authorizations:

	Valid <u>Authorizations</u>	Eligible Employees
In-Flight Kitchen, Catering and	23	31
Related Employees		

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 IBT/HERE Employee Representatives' Council has been duly designated and authorized to represent for the purposes of the RLA, as amended, the craft or class of In-Flight Kitchen, Catering and Related Employees, employees of Gate Serve, LLC, its successors and assigns.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.

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