

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

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In the Matter of the

REPRESENTATION OF EMPLOYEES

of

FIRST COAST RAILROAD, INC.

Train & Engine Service Employees

35 NMB No. 45

CASE NO. R-7157

CERTIFICATION

May 14, 2008

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by the United Transportation Union (UTU) on March 18, 2008, 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 First Coast Railroad, Inc. (Carrier).

At the time this application was received, these employees were unrepresented.

The Board assigned Investigator Sarah Halpin 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 Halpin.

Election Results for Train & Engine Service Employees	
Eligible Employees	8
UTU	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.

CERTIFICATION

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 UTU has been duly designated and authorized to represent for the purposes of the RLA, as amended, the craft or class of Train & Engine Service Employees, employees of First Coast Railroad, Inc., its successors and assigns.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.

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