



**NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD**  
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In the Matter of the  
**REPRESENTATION OF  
EMPLOYEES**  
  
of  
  
**DELTA AIR LINES,  
INC./NORTHWEST AIRLINES,  
INC.**  
  
Meteorologists

36 NMB No. 29  
CASE NO. R-7193  
DISMISSAL  
March 20, 2009

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by the Northwest Airlines Meteorologists Association (NAMA) on November 4, 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 "Meteorologists," employees of Delta Air Lines, Inc./Northwest Airlines, Inc. (Carrier).

At the time this application was received, these employees were represented in part by NAMA and in part unrepresented.

The Board assigned Investigator Maria-Kate Dowling to investigate.

FINDINGS

The investigation disclosed that a dispute existed among the craft or class of Meteorologists, 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 Dowling.

<u>Election Results for Meteorologists</u>	
Eligible Employees	32
NAMA	6

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 less than a majority of eligible employees cast valid votes for 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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