

## NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

## WASHINGTON, DC 20572

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In the Matter of the

REPRESENTATION OF EMPLOYEES

of

ARAMARK RAIL SERVICES, LLC

Kitchen, Commissary, Catering, and Related Employees

36 NMB No. 34

CASE NO. R-7204 (File No. CR-6953)

**CERTIFICATION** 

April 9, 2009

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by the IBT/HERE Employee Representatives' Council (IBT/HERE) on March 26, 2009, 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 "Commissary and Warehouse Employees," employees of ARAMARK Rail Services, LLC (Carrier).

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

The Board assigned Investigator Maria-Kate Dowling to investigate.

## **FINDINGS**

The investigation disclosed that the craft or class for representation purposes under Section 2, Ninth of the RLA is Kitchen, Commissary, Catering and Related Employees and that a majority of eligible employees in the craft or class had signed authorization cards which authorize the IBT/HERE 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.

The following is the result of the Check of Validity of the employees' signatures as reported by Investigator Dowling.

Number of Employees Signing <u>Authorizations</u>	
Eligible Employees	280
Valid Authorizations	190

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 converts NMB File No. CR-6953 to NMB Case No. R-7204 and certifies that the IBT/HERE has been duly designated and authorized to represent for the purposes of the RLA, as amended, the craft or class of Kitchen, Commissary, Catering, and Related Employees, employees of ARAMARK Rail Services, LLC, its successors and assigns.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.

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