



NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD
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In the Matter of the
REPRESENTATION OF
EMPLOYEES
of
BRISTOW U.S. LLC
Mechanics & Related Employees

40 NMB No. 34

CASE NO. R-7349

CERTIFICATION

February 14, 2013

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by the Office and Professional Employees International Union (OPEIU) on December 12, 2012, 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 “Mechanics & Related Employees,” employees of Bristow U.S. LLC (Carrier).

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

The Board assigned Investigator Norman Graber to investigate.

FINDINGS

The investigation disclosed that a dispute existed among the craft or class of Mechanics & Related 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 Maria-Kate Dowling.

<u>Election Results for Mechanics & Related Employees</u>	
Eligible Employees	258
Total Valid Votes	223
OPEIU	141
Void Votes	0
“No” Votes	82

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.

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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 Office and Professional Employees International Union (OPEIU) has been duly designated and authorized to represent for the purposes of the RLA, as amended, the craft or class of Mechanics & Related Employees, employees of Bristow U.S. LLC, its successors and assigns.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.



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