

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

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In the Matter of the

REPRESENTATION OF EMPLOYEES

of

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES, CO.

Meteorologists

42 NMB No. 4

CASE NO. R-7411

CERTIFICATION

November 13, 2014

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by the Transport Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO (TWU) on February 19, 2014, 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 Southwest Airlines, Co. (Carrier).

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

The Board assigned Investigator Eileen M. Hennessey 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.

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Election Results for MeteorologistsEligible Employees2Total Valid Votes2TWU2"No" Votes0Void Votes0

The following is the result of the election as reported by Investigator Hennessey.

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 Transport Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO (TWU) has been duly designated and authorized to represent for the purposes of the RLA, as amended, the craft or class of Meteorologists, employees of Southwest Airlines, Co., its successors and assigns.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.

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