



NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD
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In the Matter of the

REPRESENTATION OF
EMPLOYEES

of

EASTERN ILLINOIS RAILROAD
COMPANY

Operating/Non-Operating
Employees

43 NMB No. 13

CASE NO. R-7437

CERTIFICATION

January 13, 2016

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers (SMART) on June 26, 2015, 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 and Engine Service Employees," employees of Eastern Illinois Railroad Company.

At the time SMART's application was received, these employees were unrepresented. Subsequently, on November 30, 2015, the Board determined Operating/Non-Operating Employees is the appropriate craft or class for these employees. *Eastern Illinois R.R. Co.*, 43 NMB 35 (2015).

The Board assigned Investigator Andres Yoder to investigate.

FINDINGS

The investigation disclosed that a dispute existed among the craft or class of Operating/Non-Operating 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 Yoder.

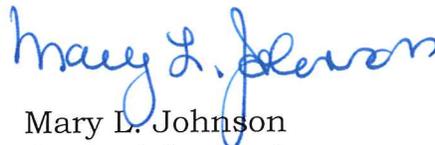
<u>Election Results for Operating/Non-Operating Employees</u>	
Eligible Employees	8
Total Valid Votes	8
SMART	6
"No" Votes	2
Void Votes	0

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 SMART has been duly designated and authorized to represent for the purposes of the RLA, as amended, the craft or class of Operating/Non-Operating Employees, employees of Eastern Illinois Railroad Company, its successors and assigns.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.



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