



MEMORANDUM

TO: Railroad Neutrals

FROM: Roland Watkins *Roland Watkins*
Director, Arbitration Services

DATE: July 16, 2012

RE: Notice about Travel in August and September 2012

The National Mediation Board (NMB) is informing all railroad neutrals that the NMB will not authorize any travel expenses during the months of August and September 2012.

The NMB suggests the use of web-based video conferencing if you must schedule a hearing during these months. Scheduled conferences are password protected and accessed through the NMB web site (www.nmb.gov). Contact either Carol Conrad or Darrell Dancer at arb@nmb.gov to use web-based video conferencing. The telephone number is 202-692-5055.

You may hear cases if the parties travel to the arbitrator and there is no travel costs for the NMB. If you have already submitted your request for the month of August, contact either Carol or Darrell and have it returned if you want to change the request.

This memorandum does not apply to parties pay boards.