



MEMORANDUM

TO: Railroad Neutrals
Rail Carriers
Rail Labor Organizations

FROM: Roland Watkins *Roland Watkins*
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DATE: April 3, 2014

RE: Deadline for cases funded in Fiscal Years 2012 and 2013

At the present time, the National Mediation Board (NMB) and the Bureau of Fiscal Affairs of the Department of the Treasury are presently reviewing the status of outstanding funds obligated for arbitration matters in Fiscal Years 2012 and 2013. Fiscal Year 2012 covers the period October 1, 2011, to September 30, 2012. Fiscal Year 2013 covers the period October 1, 2012, to September 30, 2013.

This financial audit has revealed that there are cases which were funded in these fiscal years and the cases are still open. These cases have been neither heard nor decided. The cases are located in the Arbitrators' Caseload Report which is located on the NMB's website. The NMB's website is located at www.nmb.gov. In order to review the cases, click on "Arbitration" and scroll down to the Arbitrators' Caseload Report and click.

Arbitrators, rail carriers and labor organizations are notified that cases assigned to arbitrators in fiscal years 2012 and 2013 must be resolved no later than August 3, 2015. The funding for any of these cases pending on August 3, 2015, will be deobligated at that time.

Parties are encouraged to have these cases heard and decided by the deadline. This only applies to cases assigned to arbitrators in fiscal years 2012 and 2013. This is the only communication that will be issued concerning this matter.

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Questions must be directed to either Carol Conrad at (202) 692-5055.

This memorandum does not apply to party pay boards or cases.