



NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD
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In the Matter of the

REPRESENTATION OF
EMPLOYEES

of

MONTANA RAIL LINK, INC.

Yardmasters/Assistant
Trainmasters

34 NMB No. 18

CASE NO. R-7108

CERTIFICATION

March 6, 2007

The services of the National Mediation Board (Board) were invoked by the American Train Dispatchers Association on January 11, 2007, 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 "Yardmasters/Assistant Trainmasters," employees of Montana Rail Link, Inc. (Carrier).

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

The Board assigned Investigator Cristina Bonaca to investigate.

FINDINGS

The investigation disclosed that a dispute existed among the craft or class of Yardmasters/Assistant Trainmasters, 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 Bonaca.

	<u>ATDA</u>	<u>Number of Employees Eligible</u>
Yardmasters/Assistant Trainmasters	10	15

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 American Train Dispatchers Association has been duly designated and authorized to represent for the purposes of the RLA, as amended, the craft or class of Yardmasters/Assistant Trainmasters, employees of Montana Rail Link, Inc., its successors and assigns.

By direction of the NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.



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