

## Presidential Documents

Executive Order 13004 of May 17, 1996

### Establishing an Emergency Board To Investigate Disputes Between Certain Railroads Represented by the National Railway Labor Conference and Their Employees Represented by Certain Labor Organizations

Disputes exist between certain railroads represented by the National Railway Labor Conference and their employees represented by certain labor organizations. The railroads and labor organizations involved in these disputes are designated on the attached lists, which are made a part of this order.

These disputes have not heretofore been adjusted under the provisions of the Railway Labor Act, as amended (45 U.S.C. 151 *et seq.*) (the "Act").

In the judgment of the National Mediation Board, these disputes threaten substantially to interrupt interstate commerce to a degree that would deprive a section of the country of essential transportation service.

NOW, THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including section 10 of the Act (45 U.S.C. 160), it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. *Establishment of Emergency Board ("Board")*. There is established effective May 17, 1996, a Board of three members to be appointed by the President to investigate the disputes. No member shall be pecuniarily or otherwise interested in any organization of railroad employees or any railroad carrier. The Board shall perform its functions subject to the availability of funds.

Sec. 2. *Report*. The Board shall report to the President with respect to the dispute within 30 days of its creation.

Sec. 3. *Maintaining Conditions*. As provided by section 10 of the Act, from the date of the creation of the Board and for 30 days after the Board has made its report to the President, no change, except by agreement of the parties, shall be made by the railroads or the employees in the conditions out of which the disputes arose.

Sec. 4. *Records Maintenance*. The records and files of the Board are records of the Office of the President and upon the Board's termination shall be maintained in the physical custody of the National Mediation Board.

Sec. 5. *Expiration*. The Board shall terminate upon the submission of the report provided for in sections 2 and 3 of this order.



THE WHITE HOUSE,  
May 17, 1996.

**RAILROADS**

Alameda Belt Line Railway  
Alton & Southern Railroad  
American Refrigerator Transit Company  
Arkansas Memphis Bridge Company  
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company  
Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company  
Belt Railway Company of Chicago  
Brownsville & Matamoros Bridge Company  
Burlington Northern Railroad Company  
    Allouez Taconite Facility  
    Brainerd Timber Treating Plant  
    Western Fruit Express Company  
Camas Prairie Railroad Company  
Canadian National North America  
Central California Traction Company  
Chicago Heights Terminal Railroad  
Chicago Heights Terminal Transfer Railroad  
Chicago and North Western Railway Company  
Chicago South Shore and South Bend Railroad  
Consolidated Rail Corporation  
CSX Transportation, Inc.  
    The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company (former)  
    The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company (former)  
    Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company (former)  
    Seaboard Coast Line Railroad Company (former)  
Houston Belt and Terminal Railway  
Joint Railroad Agency - National Stock Yards  
The Kansas City Southern Railway Company  
    CP-Kansas City Southern Joint Agency  
Kansas City Terminal Railway Company  
Lake Superior & Ishpeming Railroad Company  
Los Angeles Junction Railroad Company  
Missouri Pacific Railroad  
New Orleans Public Belt Railroad  
Norfolk and Portsmouth Belt Line Railroad Company  
Norfolk Southern Corporation  
Norfolk Southern Railway Company  
    The Alabama Great Southern Railroad Company  
    Atlantic & East Carolina Railway Company  
    Central of Georgia Railroad Company  
    The Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific Railway Company  
    Georgia Southern and Florida Railway Company  
    Norfolk & Western Railway Company  
    Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia Railway Company

Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District  
Peoria and Pekin Union Railway Company  
The Pittsburgh, Chartiers & Youghiogeny Railway Company  
Port Terminal Railroad Association  
Portland Terminal Railroad Company  
Spokane International Railroad  
Terminal Railroad Association of St. Louis  
Texarkana Union Station Trust Company  
Union Pacific Fruit Express  
Union Pacific Railroad  
    Galveston, Houston and Henderson Railroad  
    Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad  
    Oklahoma, Kansas & Texas Railroad  
Western Pacific Railroad  
Wichita Terminal Association

**LABOR ORGANIZATIONS**

Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen  
International Association of Machinists & Aerospace Workers, AFL-CIO  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers  
Sheet Metal Workers International Association

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