

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 & Youghioghenny 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