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The National Mediation Board has been informed that the President has created, effective October 7, 2011 at 12:01 A.M., an Emergency Board under the provisions of Section 10 of the Railway Labor Act, as amended, to investigate the dispute between the National Carriers' Conference Committee comprised of Union Pacific Railroad Company; BNSF Railway Company; CSX Transportation, Inc.; Norfolk Southern Railway Company; The Kansas City Southern Railway Company; Alton & Southern Railway Company; The Belt Railway Company of Chicago; Brownsville and Matamoros Bridge Company; Central California Traction Company; Columbia & Cowlitz Railway Company; Consolidated Rail Corporation; Gary Railway Company; Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad Company; Kansas City Terminal Railway Company; Longview Switching Company; Los Angeles Junction Railway Company; Manufacturers Railway Company; New Orleans Public Belt Railroad; Norfolk & Portsmouth Belt Line Railroad Company; Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Railroad Corporation; Oakland Terminal Railway; Port Terminal Railroad Association; Portland Terminal Railroad Company; Soo Line Railroad Company (Canadian Pacific); South Carolina Public Railways; Terminal Railroad Association of St. Louis; Texas City Terminal Railway Company; Union Pacific Fruit Express; Western Fruit Express Company; Wichita Terminal Association; Winston-Salem Southbound Railway Company and its employees represented by the following labor organizations: the Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen representing Signalmen; the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen representing Engineers: the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes representing Maintenance of Way Employees; the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Blacksmiths, Iron Ship Builders, Forgers and Helpers representing Boilermakers; the Sheet Metal Workers' International Association representing Sheet Metal Workers; and the National Conference of Firemen & Oilers representing Firemen and Oilers, bargaining together as the Rail Labor Bargaining Coalition; and the Transportation-Communications International Union representing Clerks and Carmen; the American Train Dispatchers Association representing Train Dispatchers; the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers representing Machinists: the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers representing Electrical Workers; and the Transport Workers Union of America representing Carmen, led by the Transportation-Communications International Union.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 10, after the creation of such Board and for thirty days after the Board has submitted its report to the President, no change, except by agreement of the parties, shall be made by the Carrier or the employees in the conditions out of which the dispute arose.

The Emergency Board will contact you with respect to further proceedings.

Linda Puchala, Chairman, National Mediation Board