

In the Matter of the

27 NMB No. 49

REPRESENTATION OF EMPLOYEES

CASE NO. R-6724

of

CERTIFICATION

METRO-NORTH COMMUTER RAILROAD

March 3, 2000

Locomotive Engineers

The services of the National Mediation Board were invoked by the Association of Commuter Rail Employees (ACRE) on December 17, 1999, to investigate and determine who may represent for the purposes of the Railway Labor Act, as provided by Section 2, Ninth, thereof, personnel described as "Locomotive Engineers," employees of Metro-North Commuter Railroad.

At the time this application was received, these employees were represented by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers (BLE).

The Board assigned Investigator Benetta M. Mansfield to investigate.

#### FINDINGS

The investigation disclosed that a dispute existed among the craft or class of Locomotive Engineers, and by direction of the Board, the Mediator was instructed to conduct an election by secret ballot to determine the employees' representation choice.