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Re: NMB Case No. R-7215
USA 3000 Airlines/AFA

Participants:

The National Mediation Board (Board) has authorized an election in the above-referenced case. The election will be conducted by Telephone Electronic Voting and Internet Voting. The Notice and Sample Instructions will be sent out on **September 8, 2009**. The Voting Instructions will be mailed to the employees on **September 15, 2009**. The voting period will be from **12:01 a.m., ET, September 15, 2009**, through **October 6, 2009**. The tally will take place at the Board's offices on **October 6, at 2 p.m., ET**.

Challenges to the List of Potential Eligible Voters or objections with regard to any other matters must be filed by **4 p.m., ET, on September 1, 2009**. Responses to challenges or objections, if any, must be filed by **4 p.m., ET, on September 9, 2009**. All challenges and objections must be filed in writing with me. All submissions must comply with the simultaneous service requirements of the Board Representation Manual (Manual) Section 1.2. All challenges and objections must be supported by substantive evidence and argument. Unsupported allegations will be insufficient to overcome presumptions of eligibility or ineligibility as reflected by the List of Potential Eligible Voters. In addition, if craft or class issues are involved, the objection must be supported by Board case citation. Absent extraordinary circumstances, the Board will not consider evidence on appeal unless it has been initially filed with the Investigator by the above deadline. See Manual Section 10.2.

If a challenge is filed which involves adding an individual to the List of Potential Eligible Voters, the Carrier should immediately provide the individual's data in

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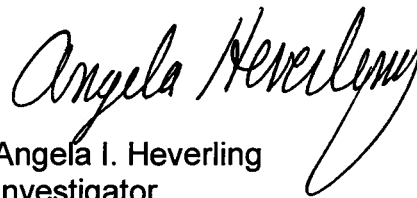
spreadsheet format as well as a mailing label for that individual so that Voting Instructions may be sent in a timely fashion. The vote will only be counted if a final determination is made that the individual is eligible.

The Investigator will deny all challenges and objections not supported by substantive evidence and argument, not filed by deadline, or not simultaneously served on all participants.

Changes in eligibility status occurring after the deadline will be handled as status changes subject to Manual Section 12.3. Status changes will not be considered without supporting documentation including the effective date of the change. Status changes provided less than seven (7) calendar days before the scheduled count will not be considered, absent extraordinary circumstances.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Angela Heverling". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Angela I. Heverling
Investigator