



"... in order to avoid confusion at the local points and provide an orderly determination of the items of work not specifically stated in the 'Classifications of Work' and other Rules of the several crafts, it is agreed that existing practices will be continued, unless and until otherwise decided by conference and negotiations between the General Chairman involved, and the General Superintendent of Motive Power, for purpose of uniformly applying such decision wherever necessary on the railroads..."

The Board finds that this dispute is typically one calling for discussion and possible resolution under the terms of Memorandum "A". The Board finds further that such procedure has not been followed as yet by the Organization.

Award No. 7218, and the several cases referred to therein, are in direct point to this dispute.

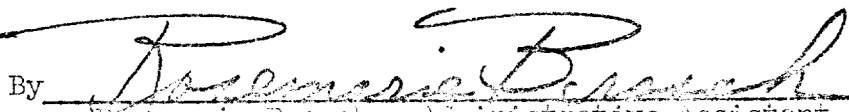
In the absence of compliance with Memorandum "A", the dispute is not properly before the Board for resolution.

A W A R D

Claim dismissed.

NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD  
By Order of Second Division

Attest: Executive Secretary  
National Railroad Adjustment Board

By   
Rosemarie Brasch - Administrative Assistant

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 24th day of February, 1978.