NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD SECOND DIVISION

Award No. 6727 Docket No. 6488 2-MP-SM-'74

The Second Division consisted of the regular members and in addition Referee Robert M. O'Brien when award was rendered.

(Sheet Metal Workers' International (Association Parties to Dispute: (

Dispute: Claim of Employes:

1. That the Carrier violated the current Agreement particularly Rule 97, and the Transfer of Work Understanding of 1940, at North Little Rock, Arkansas when they improperly assigned Machinist and Machinist Helper the duty of applying and connecting new ½" by 50' hose to hose reel at 400 Yard Ramp on January 27, 1972.

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2. That accordingly the Carrier be ordered to additionally compensate Sheet Metal Worker A. L. Kerr and Sheet Metal Worker Helper E. P. Moix in the amount of four (4) hours each at the pro rata rate of pay.

Findings:

The Second Division of the Adjustment Board, upon the whole record and all the evidence, finds that:

The carrier or carriers and the employe or employes involved in this dispute are respectively carrier and employe within the meaning of the Railway Labor Act as approved June 21, 1934.

This Division of the Adjustment Board has jurisdiction over the dispute involved herein.

Parties to said dispute waived right of appearance at hearing thereon.

The facts giving rise to the instant claim are not in dispute. On January 27, 1972 Carrier's Machinist Foreman assigned Machinists the job of connecting new $\frac{1}{2}^n$ by 50' air hose to a hose reel. Petitioner contends this work belongs to the Sheet Metal Workers Craft and cites Rule 97 of the applicable agreement, the classification of work rule, in support of the claim.

Carrier denies that Rule 97 reserves to Sheet Metal Workers the job of connecting rubber hoses as is the case before us.

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Rule 97 reserves to Sheet Metal Workers "... the bending, fitting, cutting, threading, brazing, connecting and disconnecting of air, water, gas, oil and steam pipes and hand rails." No where therein is there mention of rubber hoses. Rule 97 reserves to Sheet Metal Workers work attendant to the installation and connecting of pipes, not rubber hoses. And by no stretch of the imagination can a rubber hose be considered a pipe.

We are not persuaded that the 1971 claim at North Little Rock, Arkansas, relied upon by Petitioner, is controlling herein. The facts therein have not been sufficiently stated for us to determine whether the claim is analogous to the one at hand. We, therefore, consider it of no precedential value.

Finding no merit to Petitioner's contention that connecting of the rubber air hose to the hose reel is work reserved to claimants by the classification of work rule, the claim must be denied.

AWARD

Claim denied.

NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD By Order of Second Division

Attest: Executive Secretary

National Railroad Adjustment Board

Rosemarie Brasch - Administrative Assistant

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 9th day of July, 1974.