

NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD

THIRD DIVISION

Award Number 20029  
Docket Number MS-19901

John H. Dorsey, Referee

PARTIES TO DISPUTE: (Robert D. Nichols  
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(George P. Baker, Richard C. Bond, Jervis Langdon, Jr.,  
( and Willard Wirtz, Trustees of the Property of  
( Penn Central Transportation Company, Debtor

STATEMENT OF CLAIM: Why the Implementing Agreement to the Merger Job Protection Agreement is allowed to supersede the Merger Job **Protection** Agreement.

OPINION OF BOARD: There is no showing in the record of this case that a claim was presented and handled on the property in the manner **man-**dated in Section 3, First (i) of the Railway Labor Act, as amended -- an indispensable statutory condition precedent to invoking the Board's jurisdiction. We, therefore, are enjoined from considering a direct petition.

FINDINGS: The Third Division of the Adjustment **Board**, upon the whole record and all the evidence, finds and holds:

That the parties waived oral hearing;

That the Carrier and the **Employees** involved in this dispute are respectively Carrier and Employee within the meaning of the Railway Labor Act, as approved June 21, 1934;

That the Board **must** dismiss the plea presented because of lack of jurisdiction.

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The case as presented fails to meet the statutory requirements which are indispensable conditions precedent to a statutory right to invoke this Board's jurisdiction. Case DISMISSED for lack of jurisdiction.

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By Order of Third Division

ATTEST: A. W. Paulos  
Executive Secretary

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 20th day of November 1973.