NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD

THIRD DIVISION

Award Number 21766 Docket Number CL-21555

Joseph A. Sickles, Referee

(Brotherhood of Railway, Airline and (SteamshipClerks, Freight Handlers, (Express and Station Employes

PARTIES TO DISPUTE:

(Port, Terminal Railroad Association

<u>STATEMENT OF CLAIM</u>: Claim of the System **Committee** of the Brotherhood (GL-8147), that:

(1) The Association violated the Agreement between the parties at Houston, Texas, when it failed to give Clerk H. H. Cannon at least five (5) working days advance notice in abolishing his regular assignment, Keypunch Verify Position No. 143, May 15, 1975.

(2) The Association shall now allow Clerk H. 3. Cannon one (1) day's pay at the pro rata rate of Keypunch Verify Position No. 143 for May 16, 1975, to accomplish the fifth (5th) working day advance notice requirement to employes whose positions are to be abolished.

<u>OPINION OF BOARD</u>: At ll:00 a.m. on Friday, Nay 9, 1975, the Carrier posted Bulletin No. 511 -which advised that Claimant's position (keypunch Verify #143) would be abolished after working hours oh Thursday, May 15, 1975. Claimant's assigned hours were 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Claimant asserts that Carrier did not give a full five (5) working day notice as required by the pertinent agreement.

Carrier concedes that "five working days notice must be given," but it contends that 'Friday, May 9, 1975 was one of those days. In other words, it asserts that the working day during which notice was given is properly included in computing the five (5) working days advance notice.

The Board has consistently ruled to the contrary. See, for example, Awards 14928, 15839, 15354 and 17219.

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

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That the parties waived oral hearing;

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

That this Division of the **Adjustment** Board has jurisdiction over the dispute involved herein; and

That the Agreement was violated.

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Claim sustained.

NATIONAL RAILRCAD ADJUSTMENT BCARD By Order of Third Division

ATTEST: Executive Secretary

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 14th day of October 1977.

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