NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD

THIRD DIVISION

Award Number 25398
Docket Number MW-25429

Eugene T. Herbert. Referee

(Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes

PARTIES TO DISPUTE: (

(The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company (Northern Region)

STATEMENT OF CLAIM: Claim of the System Committee of the Brotherhood that:

- *1. The disciplinary demotion of Track Foreman R. A. Dempsey to trackman effective September 10, 1982, was excessive, without proper cause and was an abuse of justice and discretion (System File C-D-1438/MG-36121.
- 2. Mr. R. A. Dempsey's seniority as track foreman and assistant track foreman be restored and unimpaired."

OPINION OF BOARD: Based on a careful review of the entire record, the Board concludes that, while Claimant's guilt was established at a fair and impartial Hearing, the discipline **imposed** was excessive in light of all the **circumstances**. Accordingly, Claimant's seniority as track foreman and assistant track foreman should be restored and unimpaired.

<u>FINDINGS</u>: The Third Division of the Adjustment Board, **upon** the whole record and the evidence, finds and holds:

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, approved June 21, 1934;

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

That the discipline was excessive.

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Claim sustained in accordance with the Opinion.

NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD By Order of Third Division

Nancy J. Deer - Executive Secretary

Dated at Chicago. Illinois this 15th day of April 1985.