NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD

THIRD DIVISION Docket Number MS-25539

Award Number 25720

Robert W. McAllister, Referee

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PARTIES TO DISPUTE: (

(Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company

STATEMENT OF CLAIM:

- "1. Is claimant entitled to compensation for severance pay;
 - Is claimant required to follow normal grievance/dispute procedures."

OPINION OF BOARD: Award No. 25712 are applicable to the facts of this dispute. For these reasons, we affirm that this Claim was not handled in the usual manner as provided in the controlling Agreement and, accordingly, did not comply with Section 3, First (i) of the Railway Labor Act or Circular No. 1 of the National Railroad Adjustment Board.

FINDINGS: The Third Division of the Adjustment Board, after giving the parties to this dispute due notice of hearing thereon, and upon the whole record and all the evidence, finds and holds:

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 Claim is barred.

AWARD

Claim dismissed.

NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD By Order of Third Division

Attest - Executive Secretary Nancy

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 27th day of November 1985.