PUBLIC LAW BOARD NO. 3514

Case No.64

Award No. 63

PARTIES Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes

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DISPUTE: Consolidated Rail Corporation

STATEMENT OF CLAIM: Appeal by former Welder D. Rice from disqualification from positions of Welder, Welder Helper and Welder Laborer.

FINDING: Subsequent to an investigation, the Claimant was disqualified when the Carrier found that he had been responsible for a defective field weld that he and his gang had installed.

We have reviewed the record in its entirety and find evidence which indicates that the Carrier did not exceed its discretion. However, while the Board finds that the Claimant did not properly perform his duties, at the time of the incident that led to this dispute, the period of time since the violation occurred is sufficient penalty under the circumstances herein. Accordingly, we are satisfied that he should be afforded another opportunity to serve as a Welder, Welder Helper or Welder Laborer.

AWARD

The disqualification will be removed, but no back pay will be due the Claimant. Removal of the disqualification is to be effected within thirty (30) days of the date of this Award.

F./J. Domzalski

Carrier Member

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Neutral Member

/J. P. Cassese

Employee Member

Dated: JUN 21 1985