

## **MERGER TALKS APPROVED TO BEGIN**

**Southfield, MI:** The BMWWE Grand Lodge Officers voted unanimously, Monday, September 8, 2003 to open merger talks between the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. Following the officers determination, both the IBT and BMWWE decided to conduct a joint survey of the BMWWE membership in order to best identify priorities.

As additional information becomes available, it will be published on the BMWWE Website at [www.bmwe.org](http://www.bmwe.org) and in the BMWWE Journal. BMWWE members will be contacted during the survey which may include phone and mail canvassing.