

BROTHERHOOD OF MAINTENANCE OF WAY EMPLOYEES DIVISION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS



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DAKOTA, MINNESOTA & EASTERN RAILROAD VOTE IN FAVOR OF UNION

Washington, DC - The Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees Division - International Brotherhood of Teamsters scored a major victory on April 27, 2010, when the employees of Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad chose to be represented by the BMWED. After the National Mediation Board had reviewed the validity of the authorization cards, the BMWED was certified to represent the 277 DM&E maintenance of way employees.

The DM&E Railroad is owned and operated by the Canadian Pacific Railroad and operates throughout several States from Wyoming to Illinois with headquarters in Sioux Falls, South Dakota

The DM&E employees will be represented by the BMWED – Unified System Division which represents more than 5,000 railroad workers at Union Pacific Railroad, a number of short line railroads and the Wyoming Nortrak Plant, and is headquartered in Lyman, Wyoming.

Unified System Division General Chairman Wayne Morrow offered, “I’m excited about the prospect of working with our newest members at DM&E. Now it’s time to begin the hard work of sitting down with management and working out a good first contract.”

“We met with the DM&E employees over the course of the last several months and provided as much information as we could and I believe that allowed them to make the right decision. The BMWED has a proud history and a reputation of providing great representation to its members, and in the end that’s what matters,” said BMWED/IBT Director of Organizing Tim McCall.

The BMWED is an autonomous division within the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. The BMWED represents about 35,000 men and women engaged in the construction, repair and maintenance of railroad tracks, bridges, structures and equipment.

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