

Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes Division of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters

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BMWED PRESIDENT SIMPSON ADDRESSES BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS AND TRAINMEN CONVENTION

Reno, Nevada – Today Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes Division President Freddie N. Simpson spoke to more than 500 delegates and guests attending the Second National Convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen.

The BLET is holding its Second National Convention as a Teamster affiliate this week. The Convention will remain in session until October 7.

The BMWED and BLET are both members and partners within the Teamster Rail Conference. The Conference allows the two rail crafts and representatives of the International body an opportunity to work together on issues and problems that are common within the rail industry.

Simpson, who also serves on the IBT General Executive Board as a Teamster International Vice President, delivered a message of unity to the BLET delegates and guests in attendance. He spoke of the commitment by both organizations to their goal of working more closely together within the Teamster Rail Conference. He also commended BLET President Dennis Pierce, who also serves as Teamster Rail Conference President, on his leadership within the BLET and his commitment to working with the BMWED to strengthen the Teamster Rail Conference.

The Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes Division of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters represent approximately 35,000 maintenance of way workers who build, construct, inspect and maintain railroad tracks, bridges, buildings and equipment for the nation's railroads.

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