

WATCO ROADS RATIFY FIRST CONTRACTS

As reported in the last edition of the *Journal*, the South Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad (SKOL) and the Stillwater Central Railroad, both subsidiaries of Watco, had obtained a tentative first Agreement. We can now report that Agreements for both properties have been overwhelmingly ratified.

“It has been a long hard road for our new members on both of these properties. It is very gratifying to know that their patience and support has now paid off,” said BMWED Vice President Dave Tanner. BMWED Vice President Roger Sanchez added, “Both General Chairmen, Mark Hemphill and Rick Sandlin, spent a lot of time and resources on this project because they believed the Watco employees and their families deserved better.”

Stillwater Central Railroad operates over 275 miles of track within the state of Oklahoma. South Kansas & Oklahoma runs through Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri and operates over 511 miles of track. Watco operates 17 railroads in 15 states across North America.