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

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BMWED SYSTEM FEDERATIONS ANNOUNCE MERGER

Kansas City, MO – The governing bodies of the Allied Federation and the Southern Pacific Atlantic Federation of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes Division convened today and finalized a merger between the two federations. The newly created federation will retain the name, Allied Federation.

The Allied Federation will now represent more than 7000 members of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes Division of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and currently maintain offices in Hendersonville, TN (suburb of Nashville), Longview, TX and Humble, TX. Dennis Albers was elected to head the new federation as General Chairman and offered, "I am proud of each and every one of the officers and board members that had the vision to make this happen. Our respective members will be the beneficiary of a more efficient and stronger organization."

The Allied Federation will represent members employed at CSX, Kansas City Southern, Union Pacific and a number of short line railroads. The new federation represents members in 27 states that stretch from the Atlantic Coast to Gallup, NM.

"I would like to extend my congratulations to the officers and members of both the Allied and the former Southern Pacific Atlantic Federation," said BMWED National Division President Freddie Simpson. "It is gratifying to see these two great organizations come together in an effort to better represent our members. Both have great histories and I am sure that together they can achieve even more for their members."

The Allied Federation represents maintenance of way workers who build, construct, inspect and maintain railroad tracks, bridges, buildings and equipment.

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