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Re: NMB Case No. R-6998
American Airlines, Inc.

Dear Mr. Diamantopoulos:

This responds to your letter dated August 5, 2004, requesting the opportunity to file a rebuttal statement to the August 5, 2004 response statements filed by American Airlines and Transport Workers Union of America.

The Board has an obligation to resolve representation disputes in an expeditious manner. This case has been pending before the Board since March 12, 2004. In addition, the Board has now received four sets of briefs dealing with voter eligibility. In the Board's view, each participant has had ample opportunity to present all of the factual and legal arguments pertinent to its position. Should the Board require further information, it will direct the participants to provide that information. Accordingly, AMFA's request is denied.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary L. Johnson".

Mary L. Johnson
General Counsel

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