



SYSTEM COUNCIL NO. 6

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS

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General Chairman's Report – August 2024

Brothers and Sisters:

General: Forwarded compiled Section 6 requests for IO Railroad Director Russo; updated website security certificate; office administration; SC 6 staff meetings

CSX: meetings regarding consolidation of communications agreements, Pan Am communication positions, and mechanical roster issues; Huntington locomotive subcontracting dispute; received agreement proposal from CSX in lieu of traditional section 6 handling; Subcontracting claim conference

Norfolk Southern: Subcontracting violation for road electricians meeting; Communication claim settlements; Shaffers Crossing claim for managers working; NS GO Team issue; Safety camp meeting/Speak Up culture program; Labor Summit; NS offered agreement proposal in lieu of traditional section 6 handling

Florida East Coast: Signal members contract negotiations;

New England Central Railroad: Section 6 research and preparation

Conrail: contacted regarding Section 6 intent

Alabama State Docks: Tentative Agreement reached and sent to IO Railroad Director Russo for processing

Active Claims: 19 new NS cases were opened this month. 17 new CSXT cases were opened this month. FEC 26 cases were opened. In addition to normal calls and information requests, the Council is now currently handling 57 active cases. Any issue that involves disciplines/claims advanced to the Council, letter responses, medical delay documentation, RRB benefit issues, health insurance issues, etc., generate a case file with the Council.

Travel: Baltimore, Maryland – two investigations; Jacksonville, Florida – FEC & CSX meetings; Atlanta, Georgia – Safety Camp and Labor Summit

In Your Service,

Tom Owens
General Chairman



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Vice Chairman Report August 2024

Travel:

- 1) Travelled to Muncie, IN to view NS and CSX Communication Control Points and Microwave sites.
- 2) Travelled to Roanoke, VA to attend ANS Meeting. Also visited Roanoke Radio Shop and SCX Locomotive Shop.
- 3) Travelled to Chicago, IL to attend IBEW Membership Development Conference. Also visited CSX forces in Chicago as well as NS forces at Calumet and 51st Street.

Meetings:

- 1) Attended weekly SC #6 meetings. (Teams)
- 2) Attended ANS Meeting. (Roanoke, VA)
- 3) With NS Labor Relation to conference Communication Worker claims. (5 claims)
- 4) Attended CSX Labor Relations meeting to discuss claims and Agreement language.
- 5) Attended GC meeting with CSX Safety Department.
- 6) Met with the Manager of the electrical group. (O'Sullivan)

Claims, Appeals and Submissions:

- 1) Submitted request to conference letters for Local 513 and Local 2172 members. (3 total)
- 2) Created TA ratification packets for T ASD members.
- 3) Submitted arrears letter for Local 513 member.
- 4) Drafted and submitted spreadsheet to NS Safety Department. This broke down areas of concern where members are or have been recently pressured to sign off incomplete work.
- 5) Settled 4 Communication claims with NS.
- 6) Submitted disciplinary appeal for Local 513 member. (Riley)

Member Issues:

Assisted Local 311 with questions regarding CDL physicals, shift breaks, disability, PBF and FMLA.

Assisted Local 312 member with questions regarding National Vacation Agreement.

Assisted Local 813 with questions regarding STL, SGL, WGL, Rule 17, new hire, disability, subcontracting and potential NS TA.

Assisted Local(s) 513 and 544 with arrears issues.

Assisted Local 632 members with Rule 59 questions and potential NS TA.

Assisted Local 774 member with RR transfer questions.

Assisted Local(s) 813, 2172 and 2273 with drafting claims.

Assisted Local 1047 with subcontracting questions.

Assisted Local 1142 with job bulletin questions.

Assisted Local 1865 member with discipline questions.

Assisted Local 2172 members with RTW and early upgrade questions.

Assisted Local 2273 with questions regarding sick days, START, subcontracting, RLS Implementing Agreement, fraud alert and potential NS TA questions.

Vacation: August 19th.



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Assistant General Chairman Report August 2024

Meetings:

- 1) Travelled to Muncie, IN to visit CSX and NS communication control points and microwave sites.
- 2) Travelled to St. Pete, FL for the IBEW 5th District Progress Meeting.
- 3) Travelled to Tampa FL for shop walk of CSX's Winston Yard/SC and Rockport Pier.
- 4) Travelled to Miami, FL for FEC investigation at Hialeah Yard. (Martinez)
- 5) Travelled to Jacksonville, FL for FEC Signals/Communications contract negotiations.
- 6) Travelled to Jacksonville, FL for CSX claims and Communications CBA negotiations.
- 7) Travelled to Waycross, GA for CSX shop walk.
- 8) Travelled to Chicago, IL for the IBEW Membership Development Conference.
- 9) Travelled to Chicago, IL to visit NS and CSX forces at NS's Calumet, 51st street and 55th street. Visited CSX at Riverdale Barr Yard SC and communication's EOT shop.
- 10) Attended weekly Teams meeting with SC6 staff.

Claims, Appeals and Submissions:

- 1) Appealed Local 770 claim (1), no notice. Assisted Local 1984 with securing Waivers (2) for job performance. (Lee/Isler) Assisted Local 2149 with securing Waivers (2) for Rule G. (Henson/Robertson)
- 2) Assisted Local 774 (7), 870 (1), 1923 (1) and 1984 (1) with initial claims. Local 774's claims were craftline and seniority issues (7), Local 870 claim was craftline manager performing work (1), Local 1923 claim was overtime distribution (1), and Local 1984 claim was changing shifts with no relief job (1).

Member Issues:

Assisted members of Local(s) 549, 747, 770, 774, 862, 865, 870, 1923, 1984 with questions on Contract, LTI, RRB, Sick Days, pay rate, Rule G, Recall Notices, Per Capita, Rosters, etc.

Discussed Rule disputes and claim opportunities with Local(s) 770, 870, 1923, 1984.

Took part in several conversations with the officers from Local 871 of FEC Railway. We discussed the investigations and handled one on property.(Martinez) Also, discussed the process of appealing several claims they filed. Negotiations ongoing with their Dispatchers, Signals and Communication workers.