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Ms. M. A. Beasley  
Senior Director Labor Relations  
BNSF Railway Company  
PO Box 961030  
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**Re: WCRC Ground Service Prior Rights**

Dear Ms. Beasley:

In a recent discussion of the above referenced topic, a question arose as to when dual-craft WCRC employees were required to protect their WCRC ground service prior rights under SMART-TD Agreements, specifically, to what extent they were exempted from protecting those ground service prior rights when working as an Engineer.

Our research of the issue revealed some inconsistencies in past interpretations of this issue. One in particular created the potential for a direct conflict with the operation of BLET Agreements. This was not our intent.

In order to clarify the matter, it was agreed that any time WCRC dual-craft employees are working as an Engineer and under the auspices of BLET Agreements, they are exempt from any requirement to protect their WCRC ground service prior rights.

If the above correctly recites our understanding, please sign below and return a copy for our records.

Sincerely,

R. S. Knutson  
General Chairman

Agreed:

M. A. Beasley  
Senior Director

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