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### **ALRA Tallies Railroad Workers' Election**

JUNEAU, Alaska—According to tally results by the Alaska Labor Relations Agency, some Alaska Railroad workers have voted to be represented by the Teamsters Local 959 instead of the International Association of Machinist and Aerospace Workers Local 1735 AFL-CIO.

According to ALRA, 51 employees voted for representation by the Teamsters and 7 employees voted to keep representation by the IAM.

On Dec. 15, the Teamsters Union Local 959 filed a representation petition with ALRA to certify itself as the representative of a unit of employees currently represented by the IAM and to decertify the IAM as the representative of that unit of employees.

The 62-member bargaining unit includes locomotive mechanics, machinists, electricians, apprentices, boilermakers, steel fabricators, sheet metal mechanics and pipefitters, among others.

ALRA will issue an election certificate on March 8, providing no objections are filed.

ALRA administers the Public Employment Relations Act and the labor provisions of the Alaska Railroad Corporation Act pertaining to collective bargaining for public employers, including the state, municipalities, boroughs, university, school districts and their employees in Alaska.

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