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**NATCA National Executive Board Teleconference**  
**December 12, 2006**

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The teleconference was called to order by President Patrick Forrey and the following individuals were in attendance:

Paul Rinaldi, Executive Vice President  
Rick Thompson, Alaskan Regional Vice President  
Howard Blankenship, Central Regional Vice President  
Phil Barbarello, Eastern Regional Vice President  
Bryan Zilonis, Great Lakes Regional Vice President  
Mike Robicheau, New England Regional Vice President  
Scott Farrow, Northwest Mountain Regional Vice President  
Mike MacDonald, Region X Regional Vice President  
Victor Santore, Southern Regional Vice President  
Darrell Meachum Southwest Regional Vice President  
Hamid Ghaffari, Western Pacific Regional Vice President

Also present was NATCA General Counsel Marguerite L. Graf.

**Legislative Update:**

In closed session, Mr. Forrey briefed the NEB on developments in NATCA's legislative efforts to obtain passage of a statutory remedy requiring the FAA to comply with the principles of federal-sector collective bargaining and impasse resolution embodied in 5 U.S.C. § 7100 as that provision was incorporated into FAA personnel reform. Mr. Forrey also discussed a possible reorganization of NATCA's legislative and policy departments.

**ATOP Representation:**

Mr. Forrey informed the NEB that he had sent a communication to the appropriate FAA official designating NATCA Western Pacific Regional Vice President Hamid Ghaffari as NATCA's national representative for ATOP.

**Communication with Members:**

Mr. Barbarello raised the issue of the methods utilized by the National Office to communicate information to members on the imposed work rules. The NEB engaged in a discussion on the utility and value of the imposed-work-rules teleconferences with facility representatives.

**NATCA-Sponsored Training Corporation:**

Mr. Blankenship informed the NEB that he had asked the National Office legal staff to prepare a legal opinion as to the viability of a NATCA-sponsored corporation that would engage in particular types of training.

**Relocation of Region X office:**

Mr. MacDonald informed the NEB that the Region X office would be relocating from the Chicago area to the Boston area. Mr. MacDonald noted that he would like to enter into a three-year lease (beginning February 15, 2007) for office space in the Boston area. It was agreed by consensus to allow Mr. MacDonald to execute a three- year lease running from February 15, 2007 through February 14, 2010.

**Engineer Contract Negotiations:**

Mr. MacDonald informed the NEB that the engineer contract negotiations were in their second to last week of scheduled negotiations and that eighteen articles remained under discussion.

**Consolidation/Co-location:**

Mr. Ghaffari briefed the NEB on his efforts to develop a policy position on consolidation/co-location and the updating of the consolidation/co-location web site.

**Open Season:**

Mr. Ghaffari suggested to the NEB that a PR blitz to accompany NATCA's upcoming open season should be developed and implemented.

**National Office Database:**

Mr. Robicheau informed the NEB that exploration of the feasibility of consolidating the National Office databases into one comprehensive database was ongoing.