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RE: Inward Facing Camera Claims (UTU File: 696.88)

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The BLE is referring to Article the CSRA, Consolidated Southern Region Agreement and the BLE in their letter and they do not have the right to interpret the CSRA agreement or the B&O agreement. In their letter they refer to Article XI of the 1985 National Agreement, not the B&O Agreement. With that, our office considers these Inward Facing Cameras, and similar recording devices, are in violation of Rule 88 of the 1994 UTU B&O Agreement. Our office is advising our local chairmen to instruct their members to submit a penalty claim under **Constructive Code T4 for eight (8) hours pay** for the violation of Agreement Rule 88, Section 5 (Elimination of Cabooses).

Rule 88, Section 5 provides specific notice as to the working conditions that are to be provided to Conductors and Trainmen as directed by Emergency Board No. 195, on or about February 2, 1981. Changes to these working conditions are noted to be the result of arbitration, as no arbitration has been requested or granted by the Carrier, we are advising our members to submit a penalty claim for this violation of Rule 88 Section 5.

At this point in time we are not sure whether these will be valid claims, but we are advising our local chairmen who ask to instruct their members to submit the claims. From what I have been advised by the International it is more than likely these claims will not be valid, but time will tell and if we don't submit them we will never know whether they were valid or not.

*Fraternally,***Steve Mavity****General Chairman – UTU B&O General Committee**