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## Moratorium on Local Union, System Federation, and General Committee of Adjustment Mergers

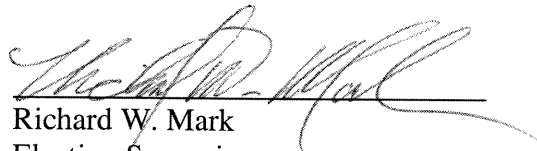
The *Proposed Rules for the 2010-2011 IBT International Union Delegate and Officer Election* (“*Rules*”) provide that each local entity electing delegates to the 28th IBT International Convention must submit an election plan by September 30, 2010. Each Local Union, System Federation and General Committee of Adjustment will prepare its plan using the preliminary delegate strength calculation provided by the IBT.<sup>1</sup>

Under the authority “to take all necessary actions, consistent with these *Rules*, to ensure fair, honest, open and informed elections” (*Rules*, Art. I) the Election Supervisor has determined that a moratorium on mergers between any two or more Local Entities will go into effect starting on October 1, 2010 and continuing through the 28th IBT International Convention. This moratorium is consistent with the schedule for preparing convention delegate election plans. It will serve the interests of the IBT membership because it will result in a fixed, stable number of Local Entities electing delegates. All members, and all interested in running as candidates for delegate or alternate delegate will know the specific membership involved in each Local Entity’s nomination and election.

The moratorium will be revisited after the 28th IBT International Convention and a determination will be made whether the moratorium is necessary to the administration of the general election.

The moratorium applies only to Local Entities electing delegates to the 28th IBT International Convention and not to other subordinate bodies.

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<sup>1</sup> “Local Entity” means an IBT Local Union, a GCC Local Union, a BMWED System Federation, or a BLET General Committee of Adjustment.