STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE WISCONSIN EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of

DISTRICT NO. 32, UNITED STEELWORKERS OF AMERICA, AFL-CIO 1/

For a Referendum on the Question of an All-Union Agreement between

BRUCE MANUFACTURING INC. 2/Bruce, Wisconsin, Employer,

and DISTRICT NO. 32, UNITED STEELWORKERS OF AMERICA, Union.

Case I No. 18929 R-5750 Decision No. 13577

Appearances:

Mr. William Lee, Staff Representative, appearing on behalf of the Petitioner.

Mr. Kenneth R. Cass, Attorney at Law, appearing on behalf of the Union.

DIRECTION OF REFERENDUM

District No. 32, United Steelworkers of America, AFL-ClO, having filed a petition with the Wisconsin Employment Relations Commission requesting that the Commission conduct a referendum among certain employes of Bruce Manufacturing Inc., to determine whether the required number of such employes favor an "All-Union Agreement" between said Petitioner and said Employer; and hearing in the matter having been held on April 16, 1975, at Ladysmith, Wisconsin, Dennis P. McGilligan, Hearing Officer, being present; and the Commission being satisfied that a question concerning the authorization of an "All-Union Agreement" exists;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

DIRECTED

That a referendum by secret ballot be conducted under the direction of the Wisconsin Employment Relations Commission in the collective baraining unit consisting of all production and maintenance employes employed, by the Employer at its Bruce, Wisconsin, plant, who were employed by the Employer on April 16, 1975, excluding all office clerical employes, guards, and supervisors as defined in the National Labor Relations Act; and further excluding such employes as may prior to the referendum quit their employment or be discharged for cause, for the purpose of determining

^{1/} The Petitioner, at the hearing moved, without objection from the Employer, to correct its name as above.

^{2/} Likewise, the Employer, moved without objection from the Petitioner to correct its name as above.

whether the required number of such employes favor an "All-Union Agreement" between the Employer and the Union named above.

Given under our hands and seal at the City of Madison, Wisconsin this 25th day of April, 1975.

WISCONSIN EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

By Morris Slavney Chairman

Morris Slavney, Chairman

Howard S. Bellman, Commissioner

Herman Torosian, Commissioner

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MEMORANDUM ACCOMPANYING DIRECTION OF REFERENDUM

The petition in the instant case was filed with the Commission on March 12, 1975.

During the hearing it was stipulated that the unit certified by the National Labor Relations Board on December 17, 1974 was as follows:

"All production and maintenance employees employed by the Employer at its Bruce, Wisconsin, plant, excluding all office clerical employees, guards and supervisors as defined in the Act."

It was agreed that the eligibility cut-off date would be the date of the hearing, April 16, 1975.

The Employer moved, at the hearing, that the referendum be conducted after the parties have had the opportunity to negotiate the inclusion of an All-Union provision in the labor agreement.

The Commission has held the fact that the parties have not concluded their negotiations on a collective bargaining agreement does not preclude the Commission from conducting a referendum on the question of an "All-Union Agreement." 3/ Therefore, the Commission has directed that a referendum be conducted in the collective bargaining unit involved.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 25th day of April, 1975.

WISCONSIN EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

Morris Slavney, Chairman

Howard S. Bellman, Commissioner

Herman Torosian, Commissioner

^{3/} Packaging Corp. of America (7400) 12/65, Oneida Motor Sales, Inc. (8450) 3/68, Pleetwood Archery Division, Outers Laboratories, Inc. (10898) 3/72.