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VIA FACSIMILE AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Mark Estabrook Stick Shaker, Inc. 2722 Morning Woods Drive Cordova, TN 38018

Re: NMB Case No. R-6044

Dear Mr. Estabrook:

You have asked us whether an independent union may participate in a re-run of a representation election if it did not participate in the original election. In the absence of any case law on this issue, we consulted with the chairman of the National Mediation Board who expressed his opinion that any re-run election would be confined to the original participants.

In view of the purposes of a re-run election -- to provide the original participant with an enhanced opportunity to prevail -- we concur with the chairman.

Sincerely,

Lee Seham