

In the Matter of GREAT LAKES ENGINEERING WORKS and DETROIT
METAL TRADES COUNCIL

- Case No. R-231

CERTIFICATION OF REPRESENTATIVES

November 22, 1937

On June 19, 1937, the Detroit Metal Trades Council, chartered by the Metal Trades Department of the American Federation of Labor, herein called the Council, filed with the Regional Director for the Seventh Region (Detroit, Michigan) a petition alleging that a question affecting commerce had arisen concerning the representation of employees of Great Lakes Engineering Works, River Rouge, Michigan, herein called the Company, and requesting an investigation and certification of representatives pursuant to Section 9 (c) of the National Labor Relations Act, 49 Stat. 449, herein called the Act. On June 24, 1937, the National Labor Relations Board, herein called the Board, acting pursuant to Section 9 (c) of the Act and Article III, Section 3, of National Labor Relations Board Rules and Regulations—Series 1, as amended, authorized the Regional Director to conduct an investigation and to provide for an appropriate hearing.

Pursuant to notices duly served upon the Company, the Council, and the Down River Shipbuilders' Association, herein called the Association, a labor organization named in the petition as claiming to represent employees of the Company, a hearing was held in Detroit, Michigan, on July 26 and 27, 1937, before Alvin J. Rockwell, the Trial Examiner duly designated by the Board. On October 15, 1937, the Board issued a Decision, Certification of Representatives and Direction of Election.¹ The Direction of Election provided that an election by secret ballot should be held among the electricians, including electric crane operators and apprentices and helpers, but excluding foremen and assistant foremen, employed by Great Lakes Engineering Works in its River Rouge, Michigan, plant, at any time during the period covered by its July 17, 1937, pay roll and including one employee who was injured and drawing compensation at that time, but excluding those who had since quit or been discharged for cause, to determine whether they desired to be represented by Local

¹ 3 N. L. R. B. 825.

No. B-58 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, or by the Down River Shipbuilders' Association, for the purposes of collective bargaining, or by neither.

Pursuant to the Direction, balloting was conducted on October 25, 1937. Full opportunity was accorded to all the parties to this investigation to participate in the conduct of the secret ballot and to make challenges.

On November 8, 1937, the Acting Regional Director for the Seventh Region, acting pursuant to Article III, Section 9, of National Labor Relations Board Rules and Regulations—Series 1, as amended, issued his Intermediate Report on the ballot which was duly served on the parties to the proceeding on November 10, 1937. No exceptions to the Intermediate Report were filed by any of the parties.

As to the balloting and its results, the Acting Regional Director reported as follows:

Total eligible to vote.....	61
Total number of ballots cast.....	55
Total number of ballots cast for Local No. B-58, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.....	19
Total number of ballots cast for the Down River Shipbuilders' Association.....	36
Total number of ballots cast for neither.....	0
Total number of challenged ballots.....	0
Total number of blank ballots.....	0
Total number of void ballots.....	0

By virtue of and pursuant to the power vested in the National Labor Relations Board by Section 9 (c) of the National Labor Relations Act, and pursuant to Article III, Section 8, of National Labor Relations Board Rules and Regulations—Series 1, as amended,

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the Down River Shipbuilders' Association has been designated and selected by a majority of the electricians, including electric crane operators and apprentices and helpers, but excluding foremen and assistant foremen, employed by Great Lakes Engineering Works at its River Rouge, Michigan, plant, as their representative for the purposes of collective bargaining and that, pursuant to Section 9 (a) of the National Labor Relations Act, the Down River Shipbuilders' Association is the exclusive representative of all such employees for the purposes of collective bargaining with respect to wages, rates of pay, hours of work, and other conditions of employment.