

State of New Hampshire

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

JEAN G. WESTON

(Merrimack Town Employees)

CASE NO. M-0702:2

Petitioner

DECISION NO. 97-086

v. :

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UNITED AUTO WORKERS,

LOCAL 2232

:

Respondent

:

PETITION FOR DECERTIFICATION

The Board, meeting at its offices in Concord, New Hampshire, on August 21, 1997, took the following actions:

- It reviewed the Petition for Decertification filed by Jean G. Weston on June 4, 1997 to decertify the United Auto Workers (UAW) Local 2232 as the certified bargaining agent for certain employees of the Town of Merrimack and the accompanying showing of interest which it found to be adequate under Rule PUB 301.02 (e).
- 2. It reviewed the Union's response thereto filed on June 18, 1997 in the form of a letter requesting that a hearing be held before a preelection conference is scheduled.
- 3. It conducted a hearing at which the petitioner was present in person and at which the Union was represented by International Representative Vinny O'Fria. Both sides were afforded an opportunity to explain their positions relative to the Petition for Decertification and to

present witnesses.

- 4. It determined, in addition to the adequacy of the showing of interest, that there was no claim asserted or proven which would be cause for dismissing the Petition for Decertification or for changing the election requested thereunder.
- 5. Accordingly, the PELRB directed that an Order of Election issue forthwith and that a pre-election conference be scheduled with the parties.

So ordered.

Signed this 26th day of August, 1997.

DWARD J. HASELTINE

Chairmán

By unanimous vote. Chairman Edward J. Haseltine presiding. Members E. Vincent Hall and William F. Kidder present and voting.