

The Organization contends that the function of making drawbar couplings to prepare cuts of cars for further handling by road crews is yard work, and that when, in this case, the road crew made the coupling, the agreement was violated.

The Carrier contends no couplings were made by the road crew (train Extra 9255 East); but even if they were, yardmen/switchment cannot profit by penalty claims where the condition claimed about, the uncoupled cars, was the responsibility of members of the same craft or class of employees who left the cars uncoupled.

In the circumstances of this case, the Organization has presented more probative evidence regarding the necessity of the road crew to make the coupling. Absent evidence that the uncoupled cars were the responsibility of another yard crew, we will sustain this claim restricted to the peculiar facts as found.

AWARD: Claim sustained.



R. B. CRANE,
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