

## OPERATING EMPLOYEES BLET Trip Rates GULF DIVISION

BLET Trip Rates as provided for in the 2003 BLE National Agreement will be implemented on the Gulf Division beginning Thursday, February 16, 2006. **Implementation covers Houston pool freight board 23 and Temple pool freight board 34 protecting service between Houston and Temple.**

Single trip rate for engineers = \$ 333.38

Overtime extension for trip = 34 minutes

This trip rate includes getting or leaving trains at all locations within the Houston General Switching Limits except for Casey, Orr, Tomball and Dayton. If crews operate into Houston via the Glidden or Mykawa Subdivisions and receive or deliver their train to one of the four identified locations, they will be allowed additional miles under CA Code MS as follows: Casey – 44 miles, Orr – 66 miles, Tomball – 74 miles and Dayton – 74 miles. If crews operate into Houston via the Dobbin Subdivision, they are due no additional compensation for getting or leaving their train at Casey, Orr or Tomball, but they are due the 74 additional miles for operating to Dayton.

Employees will continue to claim mileage as before, with the exception of lap back or side trip (non-penalty) miles. Establishment of BLET trip rates eliminates the need to claim the following constructive codes:

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| CS | Special Through Freight Allowance |
| IT | Initial terminal switching        |
| FT | Final terminal switching          |
| 17 | Initial terminal delay            |
| 14 | Final terminal delay              |
| IL | Initial lite miles                |
| FL | Final lite miles                  |
| 09 | Meal enroute                      |
| 41 | Meal enroute                      |
| 72 | Meal enroute                      |
| IC | Meal enroute                      |
| ME | Meal enroute                      |
| MF | Meal enroute                      |
| M2 | Meal enroute                      |
| M3 | Meal enroute                      |
| M4 | Meal enroute                      |
| M5 | Meal enroute                      |
| M6 | Meal enroute                      |
| 10 | Intermediate switching            |
| 26 | Intermediate switching            |
| YA | Yard runaround                    |

## Rate of Service Conversions

**If an employee creates an override ticket using option (1d), they will be required to enter the home terminal and board number of the service they are protecting before completing the override ticket.**

When tying up in the TSS paperless system, please insure that the actual miles field is correct based on your service trip. Employees need to briefly explain their route traversed using code FE, on such trips as rescues, helpers and dogcatches. Any service performed (other than terminal to terminal working) needs to be explained in this manner. Current route codes and miles will be retained if applicable.