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STATE OF NEW MEXICO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

LOS LUNAS FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 4297,

Petitioner,

and

PELRB No. 301-23

VILLAGE OF LOS LUNAS,

Respondent.

ORDER

THIS MATTER came before the Public Employee Labor Relations Board (hereinafter the "Board") at its open meeting on May 2, 2023 upon a Petition filed February 1, 2023 seeking amendment of the Certification of the Exclusive Representative of a unit comprising Firefighter/EMT's to accrete into the unit the position of "Engineer".

The Board finds and concludes that the Petition does not raise a question concerning representation and presents sufficient facts to show that the amendment should be made.

THEREFORE, by a roll call vote of 2-0 (Member Myers being absent) the Board ratifies and affirms the Amended Certification of Representation issued by the Executive Director on April 20, 2023.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

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| Nan Nash | 5/3/2023 Date: |
| NAN NASH BOARD CHAIR | |

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Amended Certification of Representation

The undersigned hereby certifies that **Los Lunas Firefighters Association** (Union) has demonstrated a sufficient basis pursuant to NMAC 11.21.2.37 to compel amendment of the certification of the bargaining unit comprising Firefighter/EMT's issued by the former Los Lunas Labor Management Board sometime between 2003 and 2007 (See PELRB No.'s 307-04 and 312-07).

The undersigned makes this certification based on the following:

- 1. By a Petition filed **February 1, 2023** the Union requested amendment of the Certification of the Exclusive Representative of the above-described unit.
- 2. On February 3, 2023 the Board's Executive Director determined that the Petition was facially valid and sent notice to the Union and the Village of Los Lunas requesting a statement of their positions as to whether the amendment should be made. No objection based on any statutory exception was raised but because Los Lunas alleged that the number of Engineers to be accreted exceeded 10% the matter should proceed as an original certification petition. Los Lunas has since withdrawn its objection to accretion of the Engineers.
- 3. The Petition does not raise a question concerning representation and it presents sufficient facts to show that the amendment should be made. Accordingly, certification of the bargaining unit shall be, and hereby is, amended to reflect accretion of the Engineer position so that the bargaining unit is now recognized to be:

Firefighters/EMT's and Engineers

ISSUED in Albuquerque, New Mexico on this 20th day of April, 2023 by:

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

Thomas J. Griego

Executive Director

