RULE 14.  CHAINING CARS - HANDLING HOSE. (a) Yardmen are not prohibited from coupling or uncoupling air, steam, and signal hose and no payment will be made therefor, except as provided for in Section (b) of this rule.

              Yardmen will not be required to chain or unchain cars where carmen are on duty for the purpose of inspecting trains and are available.

(b)  When it is necessary for yardmen to couple air hose on outside jobs as determined by joint check by Local Chairman of the United Transportation Union (T) and Superintendent, yardmen will be paid an arbitrary allowance of $2.61.

(1)  The additional payment as established by Section (b) will be paid to each member of the crew regardless of which member of crew performs the work.  The payment will be paid only once to a crew during the course of a day’s work notwithstanding they may go from one yard to another and/or perform coupling more than once.

(2)  The arbitrary allowance provided for by this agreement will not be applicable to yardmen coupling air hose between engine and car; caboose and car; between cars where double is made from one track to another; between cars where cuts are made at crossings; where coupling is made in picking up or setting out cars; or for coupling or uncoupling air hose while switching passenger equipment to and from trains.  Yardmen will not be required to couple air hose on passenger equipment on hold or storage tracks, except between engine and car.

(3)  In the event yardmen are no longer required to couple air hose on a job as specified by joint check, such jobs may be eliminated from the agreement; also, such outside jobs as are subsequently determined by joint check of Superintendent and Local Chairman requiring yardmen to couple air hose may be added to the agreement.