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FLRA INVITES CUSTOMER INPUT ON AN **UNFAIR-LABOR-PRACTICE (ULP) ISSUE**

The Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) is inviting customer input on a significant ULP issue arising in a case currently pending before the Authority: U.S. Department of the Air Force, Ogden Air Logistics Center, Hill Air Force Base, Utah, Case No. DE-CA-08-0046. The case involves exceptions filed by the FLRA's General Counsel to challenge a recommended order by the FLRA's Chief Administrative Law Judge dismissing a ULP complaint. The recommended order can be found here. The exceptions present legal questions of first impression concerning whether a presidential order, which was issued under § 7103(b)(1) of the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute (the Statute) to exclude an agency subdivision "from coverage under" the Statute, precludes the Authority from finding that an employee of the excluded subdivision acted as a "representative of the agency" under § 7114(a)(2)(A) and (B) of the Statute.

Interested persons are asked to address these questions, which are set forth in a "Notice of Opportunity to Submit Amici Curiae Briefs in an Unfair-Labor-Practice Proceeding Pending Before the Federal Labor Relations Authority" appearing in today's Federal Register. The Federal Register notice can be found here. The Authority will consider briefs received on or before September 15, 2014. For additional information, contact Gina K. Grippando, Chief, Case Intake and Publication, at (202) 218-7740.

The FLRA administers the labor-management relations program for 2.1 million non-Postal federal employees worldwide. Approximately 1.2 million of these employees are represented in 2,200 bargaining units. The FLRA is charged with providing leadership in establishing policies and guidance related to federal sector labormanagement relations and with resolving disputes under, and ensuring compliance with, the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute.

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