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Brothers and Sisters:

Under the terms of the new Amtrak collective bargaining agreement, the base hourly rate of pay will increase to \$33.03 per hour effective May 1, 2008. As you are aware, Article XI.A.2 of our GCA Bylaws calculate monthly dues by multiplying our hourly rate of pay by 1.2. Although dues *should* increase to \$39.64 on May 1st, the GCA Executive Committee has decided to keep dues frozen at the current rate of \$34.22 through the month of June, and postpone any changes until the next general wage increase on July 1, 2008.

At that time, the base hourly rate of pay will rise to \$34.35 per hour and the 1.2 multiplier *will* increase the GCA per capita tax liability to \$41.22 per Amtrak member, per month. Please ensure that the required adjustments are submitted to the payroll department in a timely fashion. The majority of you collect in advance, as required by the National Division, so the increase must be included with the union dues deduction scheduled for Friday, June 20, 2008.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at any time.

Fraternally yours,

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Cc: Executive Committee, Amtrak/MBCR/Connex GCA
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