

CSX Malaise a Catastrophe for Workers, Shippers, and the Nation

In an effort to serve the short-term interests of company stockholders, Hunter Harrison - newly appointed CEO and President of CSX - has implemented a scorched earth policy at the nation's third largest railroad that has alienated just about everyone, including workers, middle management, contractors, customers, Amtrak and commuter operations. Within months of assuming office, the Harrison regime began eliminating work rules and safety rules, running roughshod over the workforce, eliminating countless positions and closing the majority of the railroad's hump yards (such as the one shown here to the right), drastically limiting the railroad's ability to classify and move freight.

As this issue of *The Highball* goes to press, there appears no end in sight to the debacle. See full story on Page 3, and Editorial on Page 7.

