

DOCKET NO. SA-516

EXHIBIT NO. 1B

**NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

DESIGNATION OF HEARING OFFICER

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
WASHINGTON D.C.

In the Matter of the Investigation of *
TWA Flight 800, N93119, B-747-131 *
near East Moriches, New York *
July 17, 1996 *

Docket No.: SA-516

DESIGNATION OF HEARING OFFICER

Pursuant to the authority conferred by the National Transportation Safety Board, Alfred Dickinson, Office of Aviation Safety Washington, D. C., is hereby designated Hearing Officer to conduct a public hearing on behalf of the National Transportation Safety Board, to be held in the above matter. The said Hearing Officer is authorized to set the time and place of the hearing, to give notice thereof, and to exercise such other powers in connection with the conduct of said proceedings as authorized by the National Transportation Safety Board.

Dated this / day of July 1997

FOR THE BOARD


Jim Hall
Chairman