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Mr. Joseph H. Johnson, Jr.
Director, City Delivery
National Association of Letter
Carriers, AFL-CIO
100 Indiana Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001-2197

Re: Class Action
Seaford, NY 11783
H1N-1M-C 27834

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This letter supersedes the decision issued by Mr. Albert Johnson on April 1, 1985.

On May 10, 1985, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The question in this grievance involves the handling of merchandise samples by letter carriers on park and loop routes.

The union contends that park and loop routes are not considered motorized routes, therefore, letter carriers should be permitted to handle merchandise samples on office time rather than while on the street.

It is the position of the Postal Service that the handling of samples by park and loop carriers should be determined on a case-by-case basis. Normally, the carrier would case the detached labels (if any) in the office. Prior to pulling the case, management at the local level will determine the manner in which the carriers will identify the number of samples needed for each relay or the entire route. However, carriers will not be expected to memorize the number of stops per relay on the route.

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Accordingly, this grievance is denied.

Sincerely,



Thomas B. Lang
Labor Relations Department

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