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March 4, 1983

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

> Re: Class Action Amarillo, TX 79120 HlN-3T-C 13107

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On January 27, 1983, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The matters presented by you as well as the applicable contractual provisions have been reviewed and given careful consideration.

We mutually agreed that there was no interpretive dispute between the parties at the national level as to the meaning and intent of the National Agreement as it relates to training for a new route.

A newly appointed carrier or a carrier permanently assigned to a route with which the carrier is not familiar will be allowed a reasonable period to become familar with the route and to become proficient. A specific amount of time has not been designated at the national level. Therefore, what constitutes "reasonable" in this case must be based upon the fact circumstances as they exist at the local level.

Accordingly, as further agreed, this case is hereby remanded to Step 3 for further processing by the parties at that level.

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this decision^f as your acknowledgment of agreement to remand this case.

Mr. Joseph H. Johnson

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Eugene Labor Relations Department

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