SUBJECT:

JUNIOR CARRIER NOT ON OVERTIME DESTRED LIST GRIEVES BECAUSE HE IS NOT ORDERED TO WORK

COMMENT:

Management may use volunteers or part time flexibles not on list but carriers not on the list cannot argue that they should have forced him to work, when the intent of not signing the list is to be excused.

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Mr. Thomas D. Riley
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100 Indiana Avenue, NW
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Re: J. Kemp Ocean City, NJ NC-E-4790/E3-SJ-461

Dear Mr. Riley:

On February 15, 1977, we met with you 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.

The issue in this case concerns whether the Employer is contractually required to call in the junior full-time regular employee when no full-time regular employees have signed up on the Overtime Desired list.

The particulars presented show that no letter carrier signed up on the Overtime Desired list for the quarter in question. The need for overtime arose on June 16, 1976 and management called employees who were on their non-scheduled day to see if they would work overtime. Two of those contacted accepted the offer, one of which was senior to the grievant. In such circumstances, under the terms and conditions of the National Agreement, management has the option of mandating overtime by juniority, for using part-time flexible employees of the lasking for volunteers or pivoting work on vacant routes. In these instances, it is not shown that overtime was mandated by management, but rather that employees were solicited to volunteer to work the overtime.

In the circumstances presented, no contractual violation is evidenced; therefore, the grievance is denied.

Sincerely,

(signed)

William E. Henry, Jr. Labor Relations Department