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Re: A. Gnewuch
Corvallis, OR 97330
H1N-5D-C 29943

Dear Mr. Overby:

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

The question raised in this grievance is whether the grievant properly submitted documentation to support her absence due to illness.


After further review of this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in the particulars evidenced in this case. Whether the grievant provided acceptable documentation in accordance with the provisions of subchapter 513.364 of the Employee and Labor Relations Manual (ELM) is a factual dispute. However, the parties at Step 4 agree that a naturopath is considered an "attending practitioner" under ELM 513.364.

Accordingly, as we further agreed, this case is hereby remanded to the parties at Step 3 for further processing, if necessary.

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

Sincerely,


Thomas J. Lang
Labor Relations Department


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