



UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
 Labor Relations Department
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Mr. Lawrence G. Hutchins
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SEP 17 1987

Re: Branch
 Richland, WA 99352
 H4N-5D-C 16822

Dear Mr. Hutchins:

On September 14, 1987, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

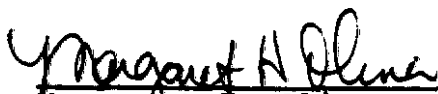
The issue in this grievance is whether management violates the National Agreement by posting the time it takes to sort mail on each carrier's case.


During our discussion we mutually agreed to settle this case based on the following understanding:

The National criteria for development of office time is explained in the M-39 Handbook and methods for recording volumes are contained in Management Instructions. Daily volume estimations recorded for individual routes in accordance with appropriate provisions will not constitute the basis for disciplinary action.

Please sign and return a copy of this decision as acknowledgment of your agreement to settle this case.

Sincerely,


 Margaret H. Oliver
 Grievance & Arbitration
 Division


 Lawrence G. Hutchins
 Vice President
 National Association of Letter
 Carriers, AFL-CIO