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DEC 7 1988

Re: Branch
Midland, TX 79701
H4N-C 5S-46677

Branch
Midland, TX 79701
H4N-C 5S-47172

Dear Mr. Hutchins:

On November 4, 1988, a meeting was held with the Assistant Secretary Treasurer, Halline Overby, to discuss the above-captioned grievances at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in these cases. The cases were properly before a region arbitrator, in accordance with Article 15, 4.B. If management determines that a grievance is interpretive at the Step 3 level, it must affirmatively express as such in the decision letter.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand these cases to the parties at Step 3 for further processing, including arbitration if necessary.

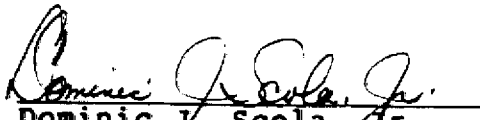
Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this letter as your acknowledgment of agreement to remand these cases.

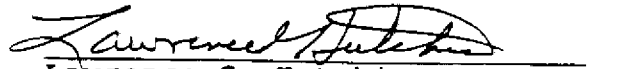
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Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,


Dominic J. Scola, Jr.
Grievance & Arbitration
Division


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