

EMPLOYEE AND LABOR RELATIONS GROUP Washington, DC 20260 AUG - 6 1977

Mr. Thomas D. Riley Assistant Secretary-Treasurer National Association of Letter Carriers, AFL-CIO 100 Indiana Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20001

> Re: NALC Branch Irwin, PA NC-E-7069/E3ALL-1105

Dear Mr. Riley:

On August 4, 1977, we met with you to discuss the abovecaptioned 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.

Management will make every effort to insure that gualified and available part-time flexible employees are utilized at the straight time rate prior to assigning such work to casuals. This priority includes cross-craft assignments if (1) the part-time felxible is available and gualified; (2) if overtime will not be required and; (3) if the part-time flexible is not otherwise scheduled for 40 hours during the service week.

In this instance, the part-time flexibles were called but were unavailable. The Union contends that management must determine if work is available and call part-time flexible carriers by 9:30 a.m. The work in question was in the clerk craft and such needs cannot always be ascertained by a predetermined face on the clock.

No violation of the National Agreement has been shown and, therefore, the grievance is denied.

Sisce Robert B. Hubbell

Labor Relations Department

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