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Mr. Vincent R. Sombrotto President National Association of Letter Carriers, AFL-CIO 100 Indiana Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20001-2197

> Re: HON-1T-C 8391 CLASS ACTION MERRICK NY 11566

Dear Mr. Sombrotto:

Recently, a meeting was held with the NALC Director of City Delivery, Brian Farris, to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether the withdrawal of mail is letter carrier craft work.

After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in this case.

The assignment of letter carriers to withdraw mail from distribution cases conforms with the relevant provisions of the M-39 Handbook (Section 116.6, Carrier Withdrawal of Letters and Flats).

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

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

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

Dominic J Scola, Jr. Grievance and Arbitration Division

President National Association of Letter Carriers, AFL-CIO

Date:

