



LABOR RELATIONS

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CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION UNIT
N.A.L.C. WASHINGTON, D.C.

Re: D90N-4D-C 92016712
CLASS ACTION
(HON-2P-C 7096)
ARLINGTON VA 22200

Dear Mr. Sombrotto:

Recently, a meeting was held with the NALC Director City Delivery, William Young, to discuss the above-captioned case 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 this case.

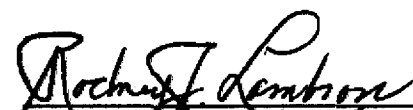
Further, during our discussion, we mutually agreed that appropriate work clothes allowance for a Vehicle Operations Maintenance Assistant (VOMA) can be determined through application of section 932.13 (E) of the ELM. Postal Bulletin dated 9-19-91 (attached) gives specific reference to each craft and monetary allocation per year based on designation contained in the ELM (attached).

Consistent with this understanding, the parties 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 letter as your acknowledgment of agreement to remand this case.

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,



Rodney J. Lambson
Grievance and Arbitration
Labor Relations



Vincent R. Sombrotto
President
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Date: 2/23/94

PREPARATION REQUIREMENT CHANGES FOR FIRST-CLASS MAIL—Continued

M-01189

364.15 Three-Digit ZIP + 4 Barcoded Rate Traying Requirements

364.154 AADC Trays

Trays Destinating Beyond Origin AADC. Prepare as prescribed in 364.135a, except change "5D" to "PKS" on the second line of the tray label.

Trays Destinating at Origin AADC. Prepare as prescribed in 364.135b, except change "5D" to "PKS" on the second line of the tray label.

364.155 Mixed AADC Trays. Prepare as prescribed in 364.136, except change "5D" to "PKS" on the second line of the tray label.

364.16 Preparation Requirements for the Residual Portion. (Existing text remains, except all references to DC are changed to AADC. Line 1 of the label changes as follows:)

Line 1: Label information as shown in Exhibit 122.63t.

Line 2: FCM Z + 4 B/C RESID

Line 3: Mailer, mailer location

366.223 AADC Tray Preparation and Labeling.

(Existing text remains, except add the following to end of section.)

Trays containing mail destinating in the AADC

that serves the entry post office must be labeled to the local SCF for processing. Line 2 of the label must read:

FCM Z + 4 PRESORT RESID

367.232 Trays. (Existing text remains, except for the last paragraph which changes as follows:)

Presorted mail left over after filling SCF trays must be prepared into packages. It is recommended that these packages be placed in area distribution center (ADC) trays.

Note: SCF trays that are less than full may be prepared for mail destinating in the SCF that serves the entry post office.

367.24 Optional Area Distribution Center Trays.

(Existing text remains, except add the following to end of section:)

Note: ADC trays that are less than full may be prepared for mail destinating in the ADC that serves the entry post office. These trays must be labeled to the local SCF for processing. Line 2 of the label must read:

FCM PRESORT RESID —Delivery, Distribution, and Transportation Dept., 9-19-91

DMM Revision

Money Order Branch—Telephone Number Correction

Effective immediately, *Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)* 941.36d is amended to correct the commercial telephone number shown for the St. Louis Postal Data Center Money Order Branch. DMM Issue 41 (12-15-91) will incorporate this correction.

941.36 Examination of the Order by Postal Employee

941.36d

Note: If in doubt as to the date or amount on a domestic money order, verify the information by sending an inquiry to: MONEY ORDER BRANCH, POSTAL DATA CENTER, US POSTAL SERVICE, PO BOX 8000, ST LOUIS MO 63182-9453; or telephone the Money Order Branch at PEN (314) 436-4795 or Commercial (314) 436-4795.

—Office of Information Services, 9-19-91

Uniform Allowance Program

Employees covered under the 1991-1994 USPS-APWU/NALC National Agreement who are eligible to receive annual clothing allowances, as specified in *Employee and Labor Relations Manual (ELM)* 932.1, are entitled to an increased annual allowance effective on allowance anniversary dates occurring on or after June 12, 1991.

Regular Uniform Program (ELM 932.11). Annual allowances increased from the present \$229 per annum to \$252 per annum and from the present \$98 per annum to \$108 per annum for eligible employees. A newly eligible employee entering the program will receive an additional amount to the employee's allowance as follows:

- \$58 if entitled to \$252 per annum
- \$13 if entitled to \$108 per annum

Work Clothes (ELM 932.13). Eligible employees will have their annual allowance increased from \$44 to \$49 per annum.

To achieve maximum benefit from their allowance, employees with a uniform allowance date that falls between June 12 and the effective date of updating by St. Louis should refrain from making a uniform or work clothes purchase until that time. Upon notification of the actual processing date, the field will receive a fax notice for posting on employee bulletin boards.

—Labor Relations Dept., 9-19-91

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