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

Re:

H90N-4H-C 95033604

CLASS ACTION

NASHVILLE, TN 37229-9511

Dear Mr. Sombrotto:

On August 5, 1996, I met with your representative, Jim Edgemon, to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether Management violated the National Agreement by requiring city carriers to use the one-bundle system while using a 5 shelf case configuration.

During our discussion, it was agreed that the explanation (<u>Building our Future by Working Together</u>) of the September 1992 MOU on Case Configuration states that the two-bundle and modified two bundle casing systems may be used with four or five shelf letter cases. However, use of the one-bundle system on other than the standard six-shelf letter case requires a joint agreement between the local parties.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand this case to the parties at Step 3 for further processing and application of the above understanding.

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

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

Nora A. Becker

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