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

Re: E94N-4E-C 97078744
 Class Action
 Golden, CO 80401-9998

Dear Mr. Sombrotto:

On September 17, 1998, I met with your representative to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

During our discussions we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in this case.

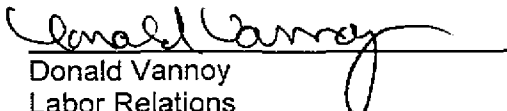
During our discussions, we mutually agreed that, as facilitated to city carriers through the USPS-NALC Joint Training, Delivery Point Sequencing for City Carriers, and DPS Implementation: A Training Guide for Delivery Management Street Impact:

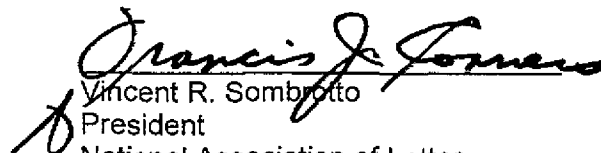
Local managers are responsible for establishing and advising carriers of local policy for handling, identifying and reporting of DPS sort errors found by city carriers during street delivery. Local quality guidelines for error identification and resolution procedures should cover all anticipated circumstances and contain clear instructions for carriers to follow regarding both the delivery and disposition of mail returned to the office.

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

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,


 Donald Vannoy
 Labor Relations
 Grievance and Arbitration


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Date: 10/22/98