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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: D94N-4D-C 96025636  
Class Action  
Greenville, NC 27834-9998

Dear Mr. Sombrotto:

On August 7, 1998, I met with your representative to discuss the above-captioned grievance currently 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.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand this case to the arbitrator of record in accordance with the MOU on Step 4 Procedures, and for application of the May 16, 1994 Vehicle Modification Order Number 01-94, which specifically applies to the instant case.

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

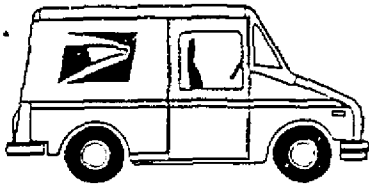
Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Murmer  
Labor Relations Specialist  
Grievance and Arbitration

Vincent R. Sombrotto  
President  
National Association of Letter Carriers,  
AFL-CIO

Date: 10/22/98



M-01364

**vehicle modification order**  
**UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE**  
**VEHICLE MAINTENANCE**

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Number: 01-94

Date: May 16, 1994

Subject: Installation of Strobe Lights on Long Life Vehicles

TO: Managers, Operations Support

ATTN: Managers, Vehicle Maintenance  
Managers, Vehicle Maintenance Facility

OBJECTIVE

To provide policy, methods, and guidelines regarding installation of strobe light assemblies on Long Life Vehicles (LLVs).

VEHICLES AFFECTED

All Long Life Vehicles.

REFERENCE

None.

CATEGORY

This is an optional modification. It involves an operational requirement and does not require vehicle repair parts. Therefore, the material purchase is to be made by the requesting post office. Vehicle Maintenance Facility (VMF) managers are NOT to purchase strobe light kits.

Postmasters or other designated local delivery managers will make a determination as to the applicability of this modification order in an office. If it is determined that a situation exists where a strobe light installation is beneficial, the Postmaster, or designee, will make the purchase and arrange for installation. Strobe light kits can either be purchased with a station/office's VISA IMPAC expense credit card, or by using AIC 546, Supplies and Services, if paying by local money order.

The VMF can be used for installation purposes only if the installation is done in conjunction with the vehicle's normal scheduled Preventive Maintenance Inspection (PMI). Installations required outside of the PMI schedule are to be performed by a contractor, using this modification order as a guide, and at the local Post Office's expense, using AIC 604, Vehicle Repair & Maintenance (commercial garage, vehicle maintenance agreements).

Those vehicles that had strobe lights installed prior to this VMO release, are authorized to retain those lights. All other vehicles requiring strobe lights are to be modified in the manner described by this order.

#### ESTIMATED REPAIR TIME

One (1) hour per vehicle.

#### WARRANTY STATUS

N/A

#### MATERIALS REQUIRED

The following companies are the only currently approved sources for LLV strobe light kits.

AFTERMARKET PARTS & SERVICE  
P.O. BOX 61872  
KING OF PRUSSIA PA 19406-0108  
(215) 270-9677  
1-800-220-9677

MORAN EQUIPMENT CORP  
2109 SOUTH WABASH AVE  
CHICAGO IL 60616-1779  
(708) 751-6302

These kits are designed to replace the current rear emergency flasher lamp. Kits may be ordered for either a single rear strobe lamp or two lamps, to replace both existing emergency lamps. The lamps provided in the kit contain both a strobe element and an element to retain the emergency flasher capability. The kits also include their own separate wiring harness, a power transformer, and a heavy duty switch assembly. No splicing into the existing vehicle wiring harness is required. Call for pricing information.

### REPORTING

N/A

### RECORDING

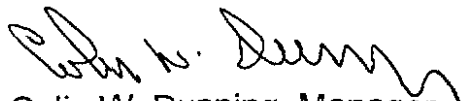
Use the following procedures to record this Vehicle Modification Order into VMAS.

When work is performed at the VMF:

1. Select Option 05 WORK ORDERS.
2. Record this Modification Order Number in the "Modification Order Number" field.
3. Record Account Code 91 in the "Account Code Column."
4. Enter other information as required.

When work is performed by a contractor:

1. Select Option 01 VEH UTIL CONSOLIDATION W/S.
2. Select Option 02 COMMERCIAL WORK ORDERS.
3. Record this Modification Order Number in the "Modification Order Number" field.
4. Record Account Code 91 in the "Account Code Column."
5. Enter other information as required.

  
Colin W. Dunning, Manager  
Vehicle Maintenance  
Operations Programs  
Customer Service and Sales