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Mr. Vincent R. Sombrotto President National Association of Letter Carriers, AFL-CIO 100 Indiana Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20001-2144

Re:

194N-4I-C - 99216131

Class Action

Green Bay, WI 54307-7000

Dear Mr. Sombrotto:

On October 1, 1999, I met with your representative 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 when it instructed carriers on mounted routes to carry unaddressed sequenced mailings as an additional bundle rather than casing or collating it.

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

The parties agree that there is no prohibition to the number of bundles that may be carried on a mounted route. However, the parties recognize that the provisions of Handbook M-41, as written, appear inconsistent with this agreement (sections 322.12, 322.23, and 222a. and b.). Accordingly, we agreed that management will amend Handbook M-41, as soon as feasible, to reflect the above understanding and will appear in the next printed version of the M-41.

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

Sincerely,

Nora A. Becker

Labor Relations Specialist Labor Relations Policies

and Programs (NALC)

President

National Association of Letter

Carriers, AFL-CIO

1-24-2000

Date:

Enclosure

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