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Dear Mr. Williams,

I am writing in reply to your letter of April 9, 2004, regarding the practice of Postal Inspector visits to the homes of injured Postal workers.

As stated in my letter of April 6, 2004, there is no authority provided under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act for personal visits to employees' homes by persons representing the employing agency. Therefore, any actions by the agency in this regard are not covered under the provisions of the FECA or its implementing regulations, and thus are not under the purview of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs. This issue should be addressed in the labor-management arena as it appears to be a labor-management issue.

I trust that this provides the clarification that you seek. If I may be of any further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Edward G. Duncan
Deputy Director for
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