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In the Matter of Arbitration

between

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

and

AMERICAN POSTAL WORKERS UNION

Case Nos. H8T-4K-C 35699
and H8T-4F-C 24940

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Airs 1266

APPEARANCES: D. James Shipman for the Postal Service;
Jim Lingberg for the Union

DECISION

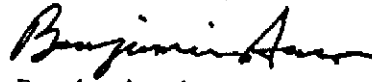
These grievances arose under and are governed by the 1978-1981 National Agreement (JX-1) between the above-named parties. The undersigned having been jointly selected by the parties to serve as sole arbitrator, a hearing was held on 2 June 1983, in Washington, D. C. Both parties appeared and presented evidence and argument on the issue of whether the grievants, Maintenance Mechanics, Level 6, and Mechanic Helper, Level 4, at the Cincinnati and St. Louis Bulk Mail Centers, respectively, should have received Level 7 pay for the performance of certain duties.

After hearing opening statements by the parties and receiving into evidence a number of joint exhibits, including the grievance files in both cases (JX-2, JX-3), the arbitrator ruled that neither grievance raised a national interpretive issue different from that dealt with by the same arbitrator's decision and opinion dated 13 December 1982, in Case Nos. H1T-3P-C 1220 and 1963, between these same parties. The decision

to remand the cases to regional arbitration was assented to by both parties.

AWARD

Case Nos. H8T- 4K-C 35699 and H8T-4F-C 24940 are remanded for regional arbitration.



Benjamin Aaron
Arbitrator

7 June 1983