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Re: L. Parks
St. Louis BMC, MO 63200
H1C-4K-C 31264

Dear Mr. Barnett:

On December 18, 1984, we met to discuss the above-captioned case at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether the grievant's request for Leave Without Pay (LWOP) was improperly denied.


After further review of this matter, we mutually agreed that there was no national interpretive issue fairly presented in this case. This is a factual dispute suitable for regional determination by application of Section 514 of the Employee and Labor Relations Manual.

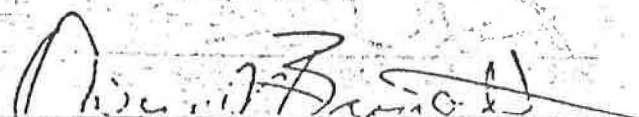
Accordingly, as we further agreed, this case is hereby remanded to Step 3 for further consideration by the parties.

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

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,


A. J. Johnson
Labor Relations Department


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