

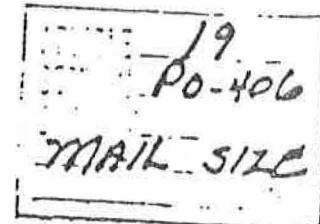


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Mr. James Connors
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Re: M. Fortuna
New Haven, CT 06511
HIC-1J-C 35089

K. Stamford
New Haven, CT 06511
HIC-1J-C 35091

Dear Mr. Connors:

On December 6, 1984, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievances at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in these grievances involves the correct size of mail processed on the flat sorting machine in New Haven.

After further review of this matter, we agreed that there was no national interpretive issue fairly presented in these cases.

We agreed that the questions raised in these cases can be answered by applying the provisions of Handbook PO-406, Section 493.2 to the fact circumstances.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand these cases 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 these grievances.

Sincerely,

Margaret H. Oliver
Labor Relations Department

James Connors
Assistant Director
Clerk Craft Division
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