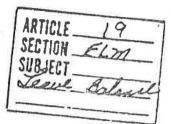


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Re: Class Action

Plushing, NY 11351

H4C-1M-C 18968

Dear Mr. Lingberg:

On January 9, 1987, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether or not management violated the National Agreement by extracting leave balances from employee stubs.

After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in this case. This is a local dispute suitable for regional determination based upon the particular circumstances.

The parties at this level agree that leave balances can be obtained from other sources.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand this case to the parties at Step 3 for further processing, including arbitration if necessary.

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

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

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