



UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW  
Washington, DC 20260

May 7, 1982

ARTICLE	19
SECTION	M-5
SUBJECT	MEMORY ITEMS

Mr. Wallace Baldwin, Jr.  
Administrative Vice President  
Clerk Craft  
American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO  
817 - 14th Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20005

Re: R. Christensen  
Flint, MI 48502  
H1C-4B-C-1023

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

On February 10 and 24, 1982, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure as set forth in Article 15, Section 2, of the National Agreement.

The matters presented by you as well as the applicable contractual provisions have been reviewed and given careful consideration concerning an alleged violation of Article 19 of the National Agreement, more specifically Part 240 of Handbook M-5 and Part 350 of Handbook M-54.

After carefully considering all available information, it is the position of the Postal Service that memory items are items 99 or less and must be memorized in conjunction with non-scheme distribution; and, coded mail is that mail which contains the correct ZIP code.

It is also the position of the Postal Service that incoming primary distribution on the Letter Sorting Machine (LSM), as in the instant case, will be non-scheme using ZIP codes, augmented by no more than 99 memory items, and that the memory item required at the local facility was within the aforementioned criteria.

The time limits to this grievance have been mutually extended.

Sincerely,

*Harvey White*

Harvey White  
Labor Relations Department