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Mr. Gerald Anderson
Executive Aide, Clerk Craft
American Postal Workers Union,
AFL-CIO
817 - 14th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

ARTICLE	19
SECTION	PO 405 X
SUBJECT	MEMORY ITEMS
	Box

Re: Class Action
Columbia, SC 29201
H8C-3P-C 24555

Dear Mr. Anderson:

On April 9, 1981, we met with your representative to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The matters presented as well as the applicable contractual provisions have been reviewed and given careful consideration.

The question in this grievance is whether or not management violates Article XIX of the National Agreement by considering Zone 2 Box Section as memory items rather than a scheme.

The Zone 2 memory items consist of 62 commercial boxes, 13 arbitrary codes, 18 unique zip codes and 1 listing of main office box numbers. (Box 1 through 99 is considered a memory item) the main office box numbers are keyed per numerical box number. With a total of 94 memory items, zone 2 box section does not meet the scheme requirement criteria of Part 122, Schemes Handbook M-5 which states in part: "Schemes consist of 100 items or more. Ninety-nine or fewer items are memory items."

Accordingly, as we find no violation of the National Agreement, this grievance is denied.

Sincerely,


Howard R. Carter
Labor Relations Department

