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ARTICLE	19
SECTION	PO 407
SUBJECT	
EDIT	
DISCUSSION TIME	

Re: G. Keeth
Ft. Worth, Texas 76101
HSC-3A-C-34724
198-5-2689

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

On December 8, 1981, we met on the above-captioned case at the fourth step of the contractual grievance procedure set forth in the 1978 National Agreement.

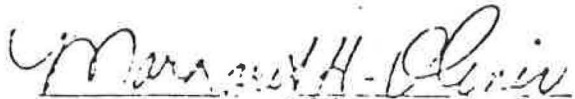
The question raised in this grievance involves whether or not discussions of EDITs with LSM clerks are being unreasonably delayed by management at the Fort Worth, Texas Post Office.

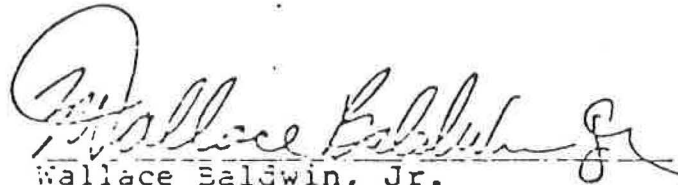
After further review of this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in the particulars evidenced in this case. We agreed that there is no dispute at the National level relative to the meaning and intent of Section 633, Chapter 6, of Handbook M-16. We agreed that a situation such as that described in this grievance requires an application rather than an interpretation of the referenced section. And, our mutual observation was that a satisfactory application can only result from full cooperation of both parties at the local level in resolving questions concerning issues such as the timeliness of EDITs.

Accordingly, as we further agreed, this case is hereby remanded to the parties at Step 3 for further processing if necessary.

Please sign a copy of this letter as your acknowledgment of agreement to remand this case.

Sincerely,


Margaret H. Oliver
Labor Relations Department


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