



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

May 6, 1982

ARTICLE	19
SECTION	
SUBJECT	M-16
<i>Time of EDIT</i>	

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

Re: N. Morris
San Jose, CA 95125
H1C-5H-C-2426

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

On April 22, 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 question in this grievance is whether management violated Articles 19 & 37 of the National Agreement, in that the grievant was given an EDIT 5-minutes after sitting down at the console.

The matters presented by you, as well as the applicable contractual provisions, have been given careful consideration.

The facts in this case indicate that the grievant had keyed a secondary scheme for 30-minutes prior to loading for 15-minutes. While loading, the machine program was changed to another secondary scheme for which the grievant was qualified. The grievant returned to a console and keyed mail for 5-minutes prior to the beginning of the disputed EDIT.

In our judgment, the grievance does not involve any interpretative issue pertaining to the National Agreement or any supplement thereto which may be of general application. The EDIT in question was taken in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 3 of the M-16 Handbook. There is no reference to a time frame for taking an EDIT in the M-16 Handbook.

Accordingly, management is not in violation of the National Agreement; therefore the grievance is denied.

Sincerely,



A. J. Johnson
Labor Relations Department