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Mr. Richard I. Wevodau Director, Maintenance Division American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO 817 - 14th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005-3399

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Re: Class Action St. Louis, MO 63155 HlT-4K-C 18035

Dear Mr. Wevodau:

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On August 2, 1983, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The question in this grievance is whether local management violated Article 32 of the National Agreement by using a private contractor to replace 250 florescent light ballasts.

It is our position that no national interpretive issue involving the terms and conditions of the National Agreement is fairly presented in this case. Inasmuch as the union declined mutual agreement in this regard, however, the following represents the decision of the Postal Service on the particular fact circumstances involved.

A review of the grievance file disclosed no information which would justify interfering with the decision to use a contractor or which would establish that a contractual violation occurred.

Sincerely,

Oliver

Labor Relations Department

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