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Mr. Robert L. Tunstall  
Assistant Director  
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817 14th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20005-3399

Re: J. Nelson  
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548  
H4C-3W-C 10836

Dear Mr. Tunstall:

On June 3, 1986, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether management may revert a vacant duty assignment once it has been posted for bid and no bids are received.

After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in this case. This is a local dispute suitable for regional determination by application of the October 1, 1984 settlement of Case H1C-NA-C 81; specifically paragraph numbered 2 should be applied in this instance.

Paragraph numbered 2 reads, "[T]here may be, on occasion, exceptions wherein the Postal Service may leave vacant a duty assignment after it has been posted and no bidders were received or there were no successful bidders. However, these exceptions must be operationally justified, and will be limited to changes such as those occurring through mechanization and technological changes, transportation changes, etc."

Accordingly, we agreed to remand this case to the parties at Step 3 for further processing.

Mr. Robert L. Tunstall

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Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this letter  
as your acknowledgment of agreement to remand this case.

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

Muriel A. Aikens

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