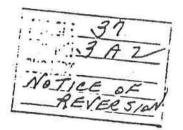


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Re: APWU Local Topeka, KS 66601 H1C-4H-C 7924

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

On November 8, we met with you to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

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

The question in this grievance is whether management violates Article 37 by not posting a notice of reversion, advising of the action taken and the reasons therefor, within 21 days from the time a position becomes vacant.

During our discussion, we agreed that there is no contractual requirement to post a vacant duty assignment, which is to be reverted, within 21 days. However, management recognizes its contractual obligation pursuant to Article 37.3.A.2 that when a vacant position is under consideration for reversion, the local Union President will be given an opportunity for input prior to a decision.

The decision to revert or not to revert the position shall be made not later than 21 days after it becomes vacant. If the vacant assignment is reverted, a notice shall be posted advising of the action taken and the reasons therefor within a reasonable period of time after the decision to revert has been reached.

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this decision as your acknowledgment of agreement to close this grievance based on the foregoing.

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Kahn.

Labor Relations Executive Labor Relations Department Assistant Director

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