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EMPLOYEE AND LABOR RELATIONS GROUP

Washington, DC, 20260

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Mr. Thomas D. Riley  
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer  
National Association of Letter  
Carriers, AFL-CIO  
100 Indiana Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20001

ARTICLE	7
SECTION	1
SUBJECT	PTFS PRIOR TO CASUAL

Re: NALC Branch  
Irwin, PA  
NC-E-7069/E3ALL-1105

Dear Mr. Riley:

On August 4, 1977, we met with you to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

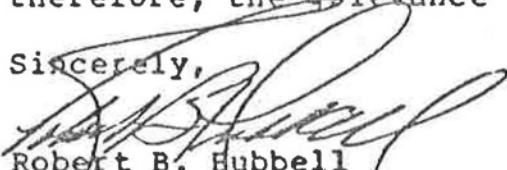
The matters presented by you as well as the applicable contractual provisions have been reviewed and given careful consideration.

Management will make every effort to insure that qualified and available part-time flexible employees are utilized at the straight time rate prior to assigning such work to casuials. This priority includes cross-craft assignments if (1) the part-time flexible is available and qualified; (2) if overtime will not be required and; (3) if the part-time flexible is not otherwise scheduled for 40 hours during the service week.

In this instance, the part-time flexibles were called but were unavailable. The Union contends that management must determine if work is available and call part-time flexible carriers by 9:30 a.m. The work in question was in the clerk craft and such needs cannot always be ascertained by a predetermined face on the clock.

No violation of the National Agreement has been shown and, therefore, the grievance is denied.

Sincerely,

  
Robert B. Hubbell  
Labor Relations Department