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Re: Class Action  
Crystal Lake, IL 60014  
H4C-4A-C 37112

Dear Mr. Guffey:

On March 25, 1988, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether the duties of weighing and recording incoming mail, working pre-sort mail, sweeping cases, and spreading mail to carrier cases are properly assigned to mail handlers.

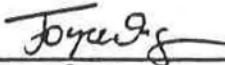
After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in this case. We further agreed that RI 399 applies to all postal installations, regardless of size, which perform mail processing.

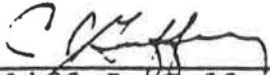
Accordingly, we agreed to remand this case to the parties at Step 3 for further processing and possible application of the F-2 Handbook and RI 399, including arbitration if necessary.

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,

  
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Joyce Ong  
Grievance & Arbitration  
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