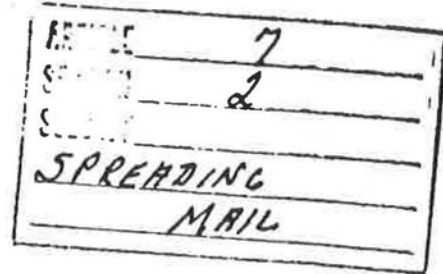




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Re: H4C-3V-C 34226
CLASS ACTION
HOUSTON, TX 77201

Dear Mr. Guffey:

On November 2, 1989, 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 assigned the proper craft to spread mails to letter carrier cases.

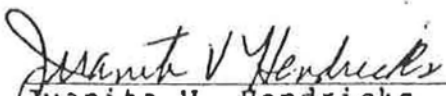
During our discussion, we identified this case as being similar to case H7C-NA-C 32 which is currently pending arbitration at the national level.

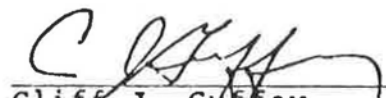
Accordingly, we agreed to hold this case in abeyance at the national level for possible application of the arbitration award.

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

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,


Juanita V. Hendricks
Grievance and Arbitration
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Date: 11-15-89