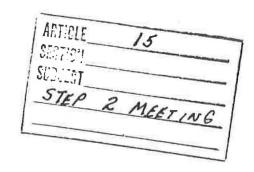


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Re: J. Pulver Salt Lake City, UT 84199 H7C-5K-C 8258

Dear Mr. Tunstall:

On January 29, 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 Step 2 grievance meetings are being properly scheduled.

After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in this case. We further agreed to reaffirm the following principles:

- If one of the parties is not available to attend the scheduled Step 2 meeting, the parties may agree to reschedule the meeting to a mutually convenient date.
- There must be adequate notice given by the union, and a significant reason demonstrated by the union in order to justify rescheduling the Step 2 meeting beyond the required seven (7) day limit.

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

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