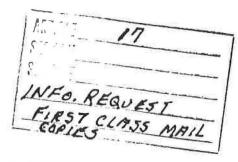


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Re: H4C-4G-C 15827 Class Action Columbus, IN

Dear Mr. Neill:

On November 21, 1989, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance currently pending national level arbitration.

The issue in this grievance is whether management improperly denied the Union's request for xeroxed copies of first class flats containing Forms 3579.

During our discussion, we agreed to remand this case to the regional level for the parties to mutually explore and alternate method or source of information in this matter. It does not appear to the parties at this level that the xeroxed copies requested by the Union would be the sole source of the information sought. Should the parties be unable to to reach agreement, this case is to be arbitrated at the regional level. This agreement does not preclude either party, once the arbitration has begun, from exercising its rights to refer the case to Step 4 should national interpretive issues arise.

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this letter acknowledging your agreement to remand this case, withdrawing H4C-4G-C 15827 from the national pending arbitration listing.

Sincerely,

Stephen W. Furgeson

General Manager

Grievance and Arbitration Division

Thomas A. Neill

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