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Dear Doug:

Arbitrator Das issued an arbitration award in case Q00T-4Q-C 06082523, dated August 6, 2014, dealing with the temporary vacancies in the Maintenance Craft. On page 6 of the award Das states: "The maintenance craft is the only craft with occupational groups, which are defined in Article 38.2.H of the National Agreement."

This is incorrect; the Motor Vehicle Craft also has recognized occupational groups. Article 39.1.A.3, B.1 references occupational groups and codes. The parties have further agreed there is no dispute on the use of occupational groups in the MVS Craft in the JCIM. The 2012 JCIM in the MVS Q&A's on page 308, question and answer #60, this issue has been addressed.

Please reply in writing as soon as possible about whether the parties have a disagreement that there are recognized occupational groups in the MVS Craft.

Sincerely,



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cc: Mark Dimondstein, President  
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