



March 21, 2003

Mr. Robert C. Pritchard
Director, Motor Vehicle Division
American Postal Workers Union,
AFL-CIO
1300 L Street NW
Washington, DC 20005-4128

Dear Bob:

This is in response to your correspondence faxed on March 3, regarding the cost incurred for additional tests for Department of Transportation (DOT) physicals.

As you were previously informed by Rodney Lambson of my staff, any additional medical testing required, scheduled, and approved by the Postal Service to determine an employee's medical suitability in connection with a DOT physical, would be paid for by the Postal Service. If the Postal Service declares an employee medically unfit, the employee would be responsible for the cost of medical test or appointments they obtain to dispute the Postal Service's determination.

If you have additional concerns regarding this matter, please contact Rodney Lambson at (202) 268-3827.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Doug A. Tulino".

Doug A. Tulino
Manager
Labor Relations Policies and Programs