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Mr. Wallace Baldwin, Jr.
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Clerk Division
American Postal Workers Union,
AFL-CIO
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ARTICLE	<u>19</u>
SECTION	<u>PO 407</u>
SUBJECT	
<u>SAMPLE SIZE</u>	

Re: Class Action
Milwaukee, WI 53203
H1C-4J-C 5875

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

This letter supersedes our decision dated September 24, 1982.

On September 14, 1982, 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 violates Articles 19 and 37 of the National Agreement by conducting an EDIT with a sample size larger than 25 letters.

The matters presented by you as well as the applicable contractual provisions have been reviewed and given careful consideration.

As we discussed, the M-16 Handbook (EDIT Operating Guidelines) does not limit the size of an EDIT to 25 pieces of mail. Section 322.1 of the M-16 clearly identified 25 letters as a minimum sample.

Accordingly, management is not in violation of the National Agreement; therefore, the grievance is denied.

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,


A.J. Johnson
Labor Relations Department

