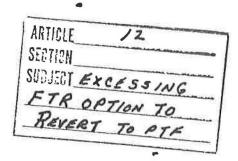


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Re: J. Tessieri Somerville, NJ 08876 H1C-1N-C-873

Dear Mr. Anderson:

This corrects my letter of April 21, 1982.

On March 31, 1982, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

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

The question in this grievance is whether or not management violates Article 12 of the National Agreement with regard to reassignment of employees.

According to the file, area mail processing was scheduled to become effective in this MSC on two dates, October 17, 1981 and October 31, 1981. The reassignment provisions of Article 12 of the National Agreement were applicable as several employees in this local office were affected. Since the complement of full-time regulars was being reduced, such employees were given the option of either being excessed as Full-Time Regulars to another office or being reverted to Part-Time Flexible status and remaining at the local office. These employees elected to be reverted to the Part-Time Flexible status. The official date of reversion was fixed at the effective date area mail processing was to take place for the particular employee. The implementation of area mail processing was delayed; however, official action was taken to convert the Full-Time Regulars to Part-Time Flexible status as planned.