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ARTICLE	14
SECTION	
SUBJECT	EAR PLUGS

Re: T. Lesiak
Orlando, FL 32862
H4C-3W-C 8136

Dear Mr. Anderson:

On September 23, 1985, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

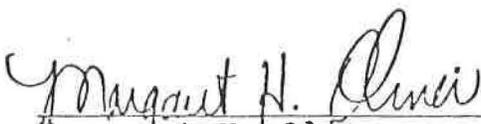
The issue in this grievance is whether local management must provide the grievant with hypo-allergenic ear plugs.

After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in this case. We agreed that if the grievant has suffered from an occupational disease, then this complaint should be processed in accord with ELM 542.12.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand this case to the parties at Step 3 for further processing including arbitration, if necessary.

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this letter as your acknowledgment of agreement to remand this case.

Sincerely,


Margaret H. Oliver
Labor Relations Department


Gerald Anderson
Assistant Director
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