



SETTLEMENT

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
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Re: M. Bowen
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H1C-1E-C 11102

M. Bowen
GMF Boston, MA 02205
H1C-1E-C 11104

Dear Mr. Anderson:

On several occasions, the most recent being September 27, 1983, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievances at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The question in these grievances involves the potential safety hazards associated with video display terminals (VDT).

During our discussion, it was mutually agreed that the following would represent a full settlement of these cases:

The Postal Service is not required to comply with NIOSH recommendations, especially since NIOSH specifically stated that the report was of a "limited field investigation, and that the conclusions and recommendations apply only to the facilities which were studied." Nonetheless, the Postal Service has initiated its program to review the current vision standards and illumination levels of selected postal positions. Any findings or standards that are set as a result of this study will apply to the Boston GMF.

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