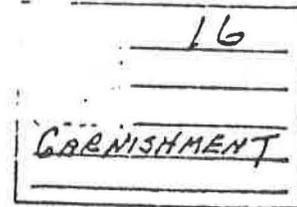




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Re: Class Action
Kansas City, MO 64108
H8C-4H-C-27485

Dear Mr. Wilson:

On April 28, 1982, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of the contractual grievance procedure as set forth in Article 15, Section 2, of the National Agreement.

The dispute at issue in the instant grievance is whether local management violates the National Agreement by implementation of the local "Garnishment Policy" dated October 20, 1980, and reissued under date of February 9, 1981.

After further review of the matter, we mutually agreed that there was no National interpretive issue fairly presented as to the meaning and intent of Articles 19 and 16 of the National Agreement. Any discipline issued by local management must meet the "just cause" provisions of Article 16 of the National Agreement, including discipline issued under the disputed policy.

Accordingly, as we further agreed, this case is hereby remanded to Step 3 for further development and consideration if necessary by the parties.

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