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ARTICLE
SECTION
SUBJECT Filling Vacant
Position
Once Posted, Must Fill

Re: Class Action Salina, KS 67401 H1C-4H-C 33466

Dear Mr. Wevodau:

On March 13, 1985, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

This grievance involved holding vacant assignments in abeyance. The assignments had been posted and no bids were received.

During our discussion, we agreed to remand this case for application of the settlment reached on HIC-NA-C 81. The settlement provided:

- Normally, a duty assignment, once it has been posted for bid, will be filled consistent with 524.1 of the P-11 Handbook.
- There may be on occasion, exceptions wherein the Postal Service may leave vacant a duty assignment after it has been posted and no bids were received or there were no successful bidders. However, these exceptions must be operationally justified, and will be limited to changes such as those occurring through mechanization and technological changes, transportation changes, etc.

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

Sincerely,

Margaret H. Oliver

Labor Relations Department

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