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Mr. Steven R. Smith Director of Labor Relations National Rural Letter Carriers' Association Suite 100 1448 Duke Street Alexandria, VA 22314-3403

> Re: Class Action Oskaloosa, IA 52577 H4R-4K-C 33298

Dear Mr. Smith:

On several occasions, the most recent being February 3, 1989, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether management should require rural carriers to purchase their stamp stock and rate parcel on the customer side of the counter along with customers.

During our discussion, we mutually agreed that the following would represent a full settlement of this case:

Rural carriers are not required to go into the lobby to replenish their stamp stock or weigh, rate and affix postage. Various allowances for stamps and posting of articles incorporate the assumption that rural carriers have access to scales and stamp stock replenishment without going into the lobby.

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

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

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Andrea Wilson Grievance & Arbitration Division

Steven R. Smith Director of Labor Relations National Rural Letter Carriers' Association

(Date) / March 1989