

## American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO

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## **Step 3 Decision Status**

March 31, 2009

State & Local Presidents and To:

State Representatives for SEATTLE DISTRICT

Re: USPS # E06C4EC09107100, Local # W1009105, BA # 170000027647

Disallowance of SDO's Overtime in Lieu of OOS

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Sharyn M. Stone Central Region Coordinator

Mike Gallagner Eastern Region Coordinator

Elizabeth Liz Powell Northeast Region Coordinator

William 'Bill' Sullivan Southern Region Coordinator

Omar M. Gonzalez Western Region Coordinator Dear President and State Representative:

The above referenced case has been processed through Step 3 of the grievance procedure. A copy of the original Step 3 Direct Appeal grievance form is enclosed for your review.

After considering all the facts, the resulting Step 3 decision (enclosed) for this case is Resolved. The action is as follows: Settled and Close Case.

Please keep a copy of this agreement for your use.

Yours in Union Solidarity,

Brian Dunn

National Business Agent

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USPS#:

E06C4EC 09 107100

Grievant: Class Action

Local#:

W2009105 170000027647

Craft: Clerk

BA#:

Step 3 Decision: 3/24/2009

Installation:

Article: 8



Date:

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Subject:

To:

Step 3 Grievance Settlement

E06C-4E-C09107100 DIST980 2009-02-13 W2009105

**CLASS ACTION** 

Brian Dunn

NBA, APWU

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SEATTLE WA 98109 9997

Decision: Settled

Issue Codes: 08500 Meeting Date: 3 - 29 - 115

Pursuant to the terms and obligations as set forth in Article 15 of the 2006 National Agreement, you and I met at Step 3 of the Grievance Procedure on 3.29 09

After a full review of the information, contentions and arguments submitted by the representatives at Step 2, the decision has been made to the following agreement:

MANAGEMENS MAY NUS SCHEDULE EMPLOYERS FUR THE PURPUSE OF INTENTIONALLY CIRCUMUENTING OVERTIME DESINED LIST PROVISIONS

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NBA, APWU

Based on the aforementioned, this case is

Tony P. Benitez Labor Relations Specialist Western Area

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cc: Western Area Processing Center Labor Relations Office, Speliane SEATILE

# **American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO**

## CERTIFIED NO. CERTIFIED NO. 7099 3220 0010 1142 4164 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

# Step 3 DIRECT APPEAL Grievance Form

Seattle District	Days Off Overtime vs. Ou	t-Ot-Schedule Premium	Clerk	02/10/2009
Name of District or Area	Policy, Instruction or G	uideline at Issue	Craf	t Date of Appeal
Disallowance of SDO's Overti	me in lieu of OOS			W-2009-105
Nature of Issue (Contract or Discip	line)	Region=s Grieva	nce No.	USPS Grievance No.
Postal Service Represe		he above grievance is a	ppealed by	the APWU to Step 3
Regional Director of E&LR, U.S. Postal Service 1745 Stout Street, Suite 400 Denver, CO 80299-7501	Pacific Area	area wide policy, i directed at step 3	instructions, or to management cify the reasons	or changed district or guidelines, shall be =s representative at this s for the grievance.

Days Off Overtime vs. Out-Of-Schedule Premium

### This appeal is in accordance with Article 15 Sec. 2 Step 3 (g) for the following reasons:

Each of the Districts have apparently initiated a policy shift instructing supervisors to discontinue work on employees' days off in an overtime status. In one such directive, being used for illustrative purposes, the Employer states, in part: "...no employees are allowed to work on their SDO...we will accomplish the tests through the schedule changes utilizing OOS premium instead of full tour SDO work pay..." The Union contends that the policy of prohibiting SDO overtime is at fundamental odds with Article 8.5, and that the further violation consists of the decision to rely on schedule changes to circumvent the use of the ODL in an overtime status, which is in violation of Article 8.5 as well. The latter violation was disposed of in a Step 4 Decision wherein the parties mutually agreed that "...management may not schedule employees for the purpose of intentionally circumventing overtime desired list provisions...'

As remedy, the Union asks that the employees and the union be made whole, including but not limited to language acknowledging that employees will not be scheduled contrary to their posted work hours and days off so as to be in an out-of-schedule status, when there are available employees on the overtime desired list(s) available to work the needed work hours on an overtime basis. The Union also asks that the instant grievance decision be disseminated to each local office for implementation, and that such implementation include 1) instructions to discontinue the use of OOS in lieu of OT; and 2) for the local union to identify any ODL employee who was denied overtime opportunities as a result of the OOS scheduling effected in order to avoid the OT.

### Regional Coordinator or National Business Agent

Brian Dunn / Marty Barron National Business Agents APWU, AFL-CIO 4110 N.E. 122<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, #200 Portland, OR 97220

c.c.:

Sincerely

Martin Barron National Business Agent / Steward

APWU Representative

Omar Gonzales, Western Region Coordinator



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Mr. Teddie F. Days Assistant Director Motor Vehicle Service Division American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO 1300 L Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20005-4128

Re: HOC-3W-C 13783 HOC-3W-C 13787 HOC-3W-C 13788 Class Action Ft. Myers FL 33913

Dear Mr. Days:

On May 27, 1993, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievances at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in these grievances is whether management violated the National Agreement in its overtime scheduling on July 14, 1992.

After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in these cases. We further agreed that, while the overtime desired list provisions were not violated in this instance, management may not schedule employees for the purpose of intentionally circumventing overtime desired list provisions. The question of whether management did so in this instance is a non-interpretive factual question. The issue of simultaneous scheduling was addressed by arbitrator Mittenthal in case H4C-NA-C 30.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand these cases to the parties at Step 3 for further processing in accordance with the above understanding.

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this decision as your acknowledgment of agreement to remand these cases.

Time limits at Step 4 were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

Grievance and Arbitration

Labor Relations

Teddie F. Days

Assistant Director

Motor Vehicle Service Division American Postal Workers

Union, AFL-CIO

TO: Omar Gonzales Western Regional Coordinator 1799 Old Bayshore Highway, Suite 240 Burlingame, CA 92010  As a result of a meeting on the parties reached the following settlement on the above identified case:  Management initiated temporary schedule changes should be the exception rather than the norm, and not on a regular or recurring basis. These schedule changes are to be made for a pre-determined duration and used to cover operational needs.  By virtue of this final and binding settlement of the subject issue, this document shall serve as the union's notification to management that it is withdrawing this case from arbitration. This is a complete settlement of the case(s) cited above or attached.  Panela Zimmerman  Date	DATE: 9/10/08  SUBJECT: Pre-Arb Settlement  S	UNITED				
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