

LABOR RELATIONS



May 25, 1995

Mr. William Burrus  
Executive Vice President  
American Postal Workers  
Union, AFL-CIO  
1300 L Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20005-4128

Dear Mr. Burrus:

This is in reference to your correspondence of February 23, regarding interest payments on back pay awards, wherein you state that, ". . . the Data Center is computing the interest from the date of improper withholding to the date of the agreement/decision." According to the Accounting Service Center in Minneapolis, interest is paid up to the time of payment. Further, each employee gets a worksheet which details how interest is computed.

I hope this satisfactorily addresses your concerns regarding interest on back pay.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Donna Gill of my staff at 268-2373.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "AJ Vegliante".

*for*  
Anthony J. Vegliante  
Manager  
Contract Administration (APWU/NPMHU)

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Moe Biller, President  
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February 23, 1995

Dear Mr. Vegliante:

*I am informed that the Postal Data Center has unilaterally implemented a policy of compensating employee(s) interest on monies improperly denied. When interest is awarded through agreement or decision, the Data Center is computing the interest from the date of improper withholding to the date of the agreement/decision. This policy does not account for the normal lengthy delay from agreement/decision until actual payment and denies the employee(s) full benefit of the decision, eliminating full reimbursement as per the agreement.*

*It is the position of the union that agreements/decisions providing interest on improperly withheld monies, unless specifically limited, apply to the entire period that the affected employee(s) are denied access to the funds.*

*Please review and advise of the employer's interpretation.*

Sincerely,

  
William Burrus  
Executive Vice President

*Anthony J. Vegliante, Manager  
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