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Mr. Alan C. Ferranto
Director of Safety and Health
National Association of Letter
Carriers, AFL-CIO
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Washington, DC 20001-2144

Dear Al:

This will confirm our August 18 meeting, scheduled at your request, on changes to the EL-814.

The meeting was not scheduled pursuant to Article 19 of the National Agreement, as it continues to be our position, previously articulated, that the EL-814 is not a handbook or manual within the meaning of Article 19. Notwithstanding this, we continue to recognize the value of your review and comments on this sort of publication.

Based on your comments relative to the use of headphones, the narrative will be changed to reflect the substance of the "headset settlement" of March 22, 1983. The four other suggestions you made to clarify or emphasize certain language of the EL-814 have been taken under consideration and are appreciated.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Charles Baker of my staff at (202) 268-3832.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doug A. Tulino".

Doug A. Tulino
Manager
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