# RIO GRANDE DISPUTE RESOLUTION TEAM 10410 Perrin Beitel Road, Rm 1059 San Antonio, TX 78284-9608

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### STEP B DECISION

Step B Team:

Decision:

**RESOLVE** 

USPS:

**USPS Number:** 

G16N-4G-C 1766 5639

Michael Goden

Grievant:

Class

NALC:

Branch Grievance Number:

421-1020-17

James D Kimbrell

Branch:

421

District:

Installation:

Schertz

**Delivery Unit:** 

MPO

**Rio Grande** State: TX

Incident Date:

09/23/2017 - 09/29/2017

Informal Step A Initiated:

10/13/2017 10/24/2017

**USPS Formal A:** 

Formal Step A Meeting: Date Received at Step B:

10/26/2017

**Troy Morgan** 

Step B Decision Date: Issue Code:

11/17/2017 08.5000

NALC Formal A: Richard Gould

NALC Subject Code:

120051

#### ISSUE:

Did management violate Article 8.5 of the National Agreement by mandating non-ODL/Work Assignment carriers to work overtime off assignment when there were available ODL carriers? If so, what is the appropriate remedy?

### **DECISION:**

The Dispute Resolution Team (DRT) mutually agreed to **RESOLVE** this grievance. The case file did evidence a violation of Article 8.5. Payment has been made by the Step B team to the carriers listed below. See DRT Explanation.

01981614	MCCOLLUM	\$19.38	02946527	Alexander	\$73.13
02111949	ZIMMERMAN	\$32.50	02167852	Lewis E	\$73.13
02430038	HENRY	\$31.63	02079873	Tullos	\$73.13
03488290	BETTS	\$49.88	01954621	Martinez J	\$73.13
03649732	ENGLISH	\$12.50	02330345	Sandoval P	\$73.13
01194867	Brewer	\$73.13			

#### **EXPLANATION:**

The union contends management violated the contract by mandating non-ODL/Work Assignment carriers to work overtime off assignment when there was auxiliary assistance available.

Management met at the Formal Step A level but did not provide any contentions

The DRT determined that there was a violation when non-ODL carriers were forced to work overtime off-assignment when there were available ODL employees. Work assignment carriers were mandated to work overtime off-assignment and were remedied at 50% of the straight-time rate. The ODL carriers who were available for the overtime were paid at the overtime or penalty overtime rate depending on how many hours in the day they had already

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worked. The DRT fashioned the remedy based on the available reports and information in the case file.

Applicable contract language from Article 8 in the JCAM is shown below in relevant part:

**8.5.G** Full-time employees not on the "Overtime Desired" list may be required to work overtime only if all available employees on the "Overtime Desired" list <a href="https://prescription.org/have-worked-up-to-twelve-(12) hours in a day">hours in a day</a> or sixty (60) hours in a service week. Employees on the "Overtime Desired" list:

- 1. may be required to work up to twelve (12) hours in a day and sixty (60) hours in a service week (subject to payment of penalty overtime pay set forth in Section 4.D for contravention of Section 5.F); and
- 2. excluding December, shall be limited to no more than twelve (12) hours of work in a day and no more than sixty (60) hours of work in a service week.

However, the Employer is not required to utilize employees on the "Overtime Desired" list at the penalty overtime rate if qualified employees on the "Overtime Desired" list who are not yet entitled to penalty overtime are available for the overtime assignment.

Mandatory Overtime. One purpose of the Overtime Desired List is to excuse full-time carriers not wishing to work overtime from having to work overtime. Before requiring a non-ODL carrier to work overtime on a non-scheduled day or off his/her own assignment on a regularly scheduled day, management must seek to use a carrier from the ODL, even if the ODL carrier would be working penalty overtime. However, if the Overtime Desired List does not provide sufficient qualified fulltime regulars for required overtime, Article 8.5.D permits management to move off the list and require non-ODL carriers to work overtime on a rotating basis starting with the junior employee.

Based on the review of the case file, the DRT agreed to the remedy above.

Michael Goden

**USPS Step B Representative** 

Grievance File Contents:

PS Form 8190 Carrier Schedule Employee Everything Report Hours Analysis Report Formal A Meeting Request Vames D Kimbrell NALC Step B Representative

Union Contentions Employee Moves Report Union Remedy Worksheet Union Information Request OTDL Sign-Up Sheet

cc: District Manager, Rio Grande District

NALC NBA, Region 10

Manager, Human Resources, Rio Grande District Manager, Labor Relations, Rio Grande District

**Postmaster** 

**NALC Branch President** 

**USPS Formal A Representative** 

NALC Formal A Representative

**DRT File** 

# **Payout Request History for Grievance**

17665639

HELP

no data

# Not Processed By Payroll

- ✓ New (Not yet sent to Payroll)
- ☑ Pending (Not back from Payroll)
- Submitted (Received acknowledgment from Payroll, awaiting processing)

# Payroll Processed

- ☑ Paid (Back from Payroll without error)
- ☑ Payroll Error (Back from Payroll with error)

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New, Pending and Submitted Requests

Status			Request Amount		First Name	SSN	Relevant PP	Requested By	Date Requested	
New		2	\$12.50	ENGLISH	JOHN	6585	PP20 FY2017	BBVXZ0	11/17/2017	
New		2	\$19.38	MCCOLLUM	TIMOTHY	4536	PP20 FY2017	BBVXZ0	11/17/2017	
New		2	\$31.63	HENRY	DENNIS	2011	PP20 FY2017	BBVXZ0	11/17/2017	
New		2	\$32.50	ZIMMERMANN	JEFFREY	7238	PP20 FY2017	BBVXZ0	11/17/2017	
New		2	\$49.88	BETTS	HEATHER	0296	PP20 FY2017	BBVXZ0	11/17/2017	
New		2	\$73.13	ALEXANDER	ROBERT	9854	PP20 FY2017	BBVXZ0	11/17/2017	
New		2	\$73.13	MARTINEZ	JAVIER	5272	PP20 FY2017	BBVXZ0	11/17/2017	
New		2	\$73.13	TULLOS	OSCAR	2433	PP20 FY2017	BBVXZ0	11/17/2017	
New		2	\$73.13	LEWIS	EDDIE	6061	PP20 FY2017	BBVXZ0	11/17/2017	
New		2	\$73.13	BREWER	DAVID	7193	PP20 FY2017	BBVXZ0	11/17/2017	
New		2	\$73.13	SANDOVAL	PATSY	2479	PP20 FY2017	BBVXZ0	11/17/2017	
Total N	ew: \$58	34.67							***************************************	
Total P	ending:	\$0.0	0							
Total S	ubmitte	d: \$0	.00							

### Paid and Errors from Finance

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