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Mr. Moe Biller
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Dear Moe:

This is in further regard to your July 22, 1991, letter concerning the American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO (APWU) delegation of authority to its affiliated local unions. Since our November 5 meeting to discuss this issue was canceled by Mr. Anderson due to scheduling conflicts, let me take this opportunity to clarify and expand upon my earlier responses to your letter.

Since 1971, the Postal Service and the APWU have been successfully administering national collective bargaining agreements and in so doing, interacting with each other's agents at the local level. It is our intention to continue doing precisely that during the period of the 1990 National Agreement. Accordingly, the Postal Service should be recorded as accepting your delegation of authority to the extent that it is consistent with the provisions of the 1990 National Agreement. This expression of acceptance is without prejudice to our existing positions concerning the relative scope of the parties' bargaining authority under the terms of the National Agreement, especially Articles 3 and 19 thereof.

Sincerely,

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