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D.J. BERGMAN, CHAIRMAN

DECISION LETTER DECISION PRE-REVIEW REFERRAL CASE CLOSED

EW COMMITTEE

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General Construction Grievance No. 3-1603-86-111 P-RC 1172

March 23, 1987

BARRY J. HUMPHREY, Chairman General Construction Joint Grievance Committee

RICHARD S. BAIN, Chairman General Construction Joint Grievance Committee

Subject of Grievance

Failure to rehire laid off employee.

Facts of the Case

The grievant was hired as a Cook on August 7, 1978. The Company was reducing the number of camps it operated, resulting in the application of Contract Title 306-Demotion and Layoff. Those cooks with the least senority were laid off or were placed in accordance with the provisions of Title 306. The grievant had a temporary medical condition which prevented him from effecting displacement into a beginning classification in accordance with Section 306.5(b). Therefore, the grievant was laid off.

The Union subsequently filed a grievance stating that the grievant was laid off inappropriately and that he should be rehired. The grievance was settled at the July 17, 1986 General Construction Joint Grievance Committee meeting on the basis that there was no violation of the Contract, but that the grievant would be given full consideration for a beginning level classification which he is qualified to hold.

In August and September 1986, the General Construction Departments hired approximately fifty one (51) individuals into beginning classifications. The subject grievance was filed on October 14, 1986 stating that the grievant had not been given the full consideration as agreed to at the July Joint Grievance Committee meeting.

Discussion and Decision

The Committee discussed this case at length. The Company member stated that the grievant was considered for rehire; however, the Departments did not consider him as a competitive candidate compared to those individuals hired. In addition, the agreement only required the Company to fully consider the grievant; not specifically to rehire him.

The Union member of the Committee opined that nowhere in the record has the Company provided any substantial evidence to support their position that



306.1(a) 306.14 the grievant was fully considered. Absent that evidence, the Company is obligated to rehire the grievant.

Based on the facts of this case, the Committee agreed that the grievant will be rehired into a beginning classification for which he is qualified. The Committee also agreed that the grievant's Service will be uninterrupted.

This case is considered closed without prejudice on this basis, and such closure should be so noted in the minutes of the Joint Grievance

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DAVID J. BERGMAN, Chairman Review Committee

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