

REVIEW COMMITTEE DECISION

Review Committee File Number 333
San Francisco Division Grievance Number 153

Subject of the Grievance

On September 8, 1961, the grievant, a Machinist at the Hunters Point Power Plant, while making repairs, used an acetylene torch with a "rose bud" heating tip to heat impellers in a boiler feed pump. Following this, a grievance was filed requesting that such work be assigned to a Welder.

Discussion

The grievance poses the question as to whether the use of an acetylene torch in this instance was outside of the negotiated job duties of the Machinist. It should be noted that in the present case the Machinist was using the torch as a means of removing the equipment in order that he might make the necessary repairs. The ability to use such equipment does not add to the basic requirements of a Machinist, which is that the employee be "... qualified to perform precision work with all types of machine tools".

Decision

Since the use of the torch, in this case, was incidental to making the repairs, its use was not in violation of the Machinist's job definition.

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