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OPRE-REVIEW REFERRAL

DECISION

LETTER DECISION

North Bay Division Grievance Nos. 4-40-76-40 4-41-76-41 and 4-49-76-49 P-RC 240, 241 and 242 Displacement of Helpers

August 20, 1976

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MR. W. H. MOORE, Chairman North Bay Division Joint Grievance Committee

The above-subject grievances have been discussed by the Pre-Review Committee prior to their docketing on the agenda of the Review Committee and are being returned to the Division for settlement in accordance with the following:

The grievances concern the displacement of three Gas Helpers -- two from San Rafael and one from Petaluma -- to Vallejo as Gas Helpers due to a lack of work. The grievants are alleging that they were displaced without just or sufficient cause. The Joint Statement of Facts indicates that recent studies of workload and backlog of work indicated that Marin District as well as Petaluma could more efficiently perform its work with fewer Gas Helper positions. Therefore, the three employees who were displaced to Vallejo which, at that time, was not experiencing such a drastic backlog reduction.

In view of the foregoing, the Pre-Review Committee is of the opinion that Marin District and Petaluma were experiencing a reduction in work, and displacements or layoffs of junior employees were eminent. As to the "rights" of the grievants as provided for in Title 206, the record is silent in this regard, and the Pre-Review Committee can only assume that this is not at issue, however, the grievants are entitled to preferential consideration, notwithstanding Subsection 205.5(a) of the Labor Agreement, to return to their former headquarters.

When a settlement is reached by the Joint Grievance Committee, the Review Committee should be sent a copy of the final disposition.

J. BERGMAN, Chairman D.

Review Committee

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