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January 8, 1991

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### VIA UPS OVERNIGHT

Frank Busalacchi, President Kenneth Friesner Secretary-Treasurer IBT Local Union 200 6200 West Bluemound Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53213 David Flanagan 1047 Lexington Drive Oconomowoc, Wisconsin 53066

Re: Election Officer Case No. P-227-LU200-NCE

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Gentlemen

Our office is in receipt of the protests filed on behalf of the proven Team for a New Era Slate, and on behalf of the Steward's Slate on January 4, 1991 regarding ballot placement for Local Union 200.

Article II, § 8(b) of the Rules for the IBT International Union Delegate and Officer Election, revised August 1, 1990 ("Rules"), state

"The order of placement of the slates on the ballot shall be determined by lot "

The lot drawing took place on December 13, 1990, with the following results

No 1 Position A Proven Team for a New Era Slate

No 2 Position Stewards Slate

No 3 Position Time for Change Slate

The Regional Coordinator, Barbara Quindel, conveyed these results to our Election Staff in Washington for ballot preparation Because of the large number of slates and candidates, it was determined that an Opti-scan (computerized) ballot counting

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would be used Printing for these ballots has been centralized from this Washington office

We have determined the positions on the ballots for slates, and designated the second slot as falling under the first slot in column one where there are more than two slates. Local Union 200's ballot was prepared accordingly, and a facsimile was faxed to the Regional Coordinator to be shown to all those who requested to see the proof. Ms Quindel then sent letters to all the candidates informing them that she had the proof, and that it would be available at her office on December 27, 1990 for review. No question was raised regarding the ballot order until the two protests referenced above were received on January 4, 1991

The ballot, which has been printed, placed the slates in the designated positions based on the ballot format to be used for this election. Based upon the facts as stated above, there has been no violation of the *Rules* 

If any interested party is not satisfied with this determination, they may request a hearing before the Independent Administrator within twenty-four (24) hours of their receipt of this letter. The parties are reminded that, absent extraordinary circumstances, no party may rely upon evidence that was not presented to the Office of the Election Officer in any such appeal. Requests for a hearing shall be made in writing, and shall be served on Independent Administrator Frederick B. Lacey at LeBoeuf, Lamb, Leiby & MacRae, One Gateway Center, Newark, New Jersey 07102-5311, Facsimile (201) 622-6693. Copies of the request for hearing must be served on the parties listed above, as well as upon the Election Officer, IBT, 25 Louisiana Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001, Facsimile (202) 624-8792. A copy of the protest must accompany the request for a hearing. The parties are reminded that, absent extraordinary circumstances, no party may rely upon evidence that was not presented to the Office of the Election Officer in any such appeal.

Very truly yours,

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Michael H Holland

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cc Frederick B Lacey, Independent Administrator, IBT Barbara Zack Quindel, Election Office Regional Coordinator

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#### VIA UPS OVERNIGHT

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Re: Election Office Case No. P-214-LU572-CLA

#### Gentlemen

A pre-election protest has been filed pursuant to Article XI of the Rules for the IBT International Union Delegate and Officer Election, revised August 1, 1990 ("Rules") The Complainant, Rudolph Giron, contends that inadequate notice was given to Local 572 members employed by United Parcel Service (UPS) of the delegate nomination meeting held on January 3, 1991

Article II of § 3 (d) sets of the Rules sets out the procedures to be followed for giving notice of nomination proceedings

Notice of the nominations meeting(s) shall be given to each member by mailing a copy to each member at his/her last known home address, by publication in a Union newspaper sent to all members or by any other means reasonable calculated to inform all members in sufficient time to permit them to nominate

It is undisputed that notice of the nomination meetings was given in the December, 1990 issue of Southern California Teamster, the official publication of Joint Council of Teamsters No 42 The Local in question is part of this Joint Council The newspaper was mailed to all members of all Locals in the Joint Council on or about December 12, 1990 The publication was mailed to all such members' home addresses as listed in the TITAN records The Local has over 7000 members The investigation by the Election Officer showed that approximately 4 of the roughly 400 members employed at UPS had incorrect addresses

In addition to publication by newspaper, it is also undisputed that the Local Union Election Plan Summary was posted at the terminal where the Complainant worked The Local received the posting on approximately December 19, 1990 and completed the posting by December 28, 1990

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The gravamen of the protest is that the members employed at the UPS terminal in Gardena, California received inadequate notice of the nomination meeting. There are about 400 members employed at the building. Over 100 signed a petition which stated that they "were inadequately informed of the date, nature and importance of the IBT delegates nominations meeting." In addition, some shop stewards testified that they had no notice of the meeting. The Complainant stated that the Union bulletin board where the notice was posted was rarely used by the Union and that, therefore, he never looked at it

The notification of the nominations meeting provided by the Local complied with the requirements of Article II § 3 (d) of the Rules Under the Rules, publication by newspaper is adequate by itself. This was carried out in this case. The evidence showed the overwhelming majority of members at the building regularly received their newspaper. The fact that a very few individuals receive their newspaper sporadically (for whatever reason) does not change that result. Similarly, the Union posted the Election Plan in a timely fashion, given its date of approval and the holiday season. The Complainant does not contend that the Union failed to post the Plan in areas where it was more likely to be seen or that it deliberately used a bulletin board that it knew would not receive attention.

#### Accordingly, the protest is DENIED

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cc Frederick B Lacey, Independent Administrator Geraldine L Leshin, Regional Coordinator