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VIA UPS OVERNIGHT

Lonnie Bedell
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Re: Election Office Case No. P-697-LU641-NJE

Gentlemen

A pre-election protest was filed pursuant to Article XI of the *Rules for the IBT International Union Delegate and Officer Election*, revised August 1, 1990 ("*Rules*") The complainant, Lonnie Bedell, protests the use of the name Sonny Musso in the slate name of a slate for delegate and alternate delegate candidates to the 1991 IBT International Convention from Local 641 The basis of the claim is that Mr Musso is not a candidate running on that slate and has resigned from his position as President of Local 641 Hence, Mr Bedell claims the use of the name "Sonny Musso Team" for the delegate and alternate delegate slate is improper

Article VII of the *Rules* prescribes the requirements for slates No limitation is imposed upon the scope of permissible slate names As long as the name is not obscene, does not denote incumbency and is not too long for the ballot, slate names will not be regulated The use in the slate name of a member who is not a candidate on the slate does not alter the scope of regulation

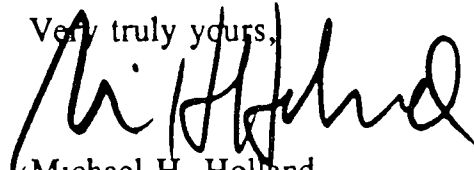
Accordingly, the protest is **DENIED**

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,

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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

Very truly yours,



Michael H Holland

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cc Frederick B Lacey, Independent Administrator
Edward T Ellis, Regional Coordinator