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Re: Election Office Case No. P-429-LU71-SEC

Gentlemen:

A pre-election protest was filed pursuant to Article XIV, Section 2(b) of the *Rules for the 1995-1996 IBT International Union Delegate and Officer Election* (“*Rules*”) by Samuel Carter, a member of Local Union 71. The protester alleged that Tony Ford and Jim Hill used a local union fax machine to file a pre-election protest, in violation of the *Rules*. Mr. Carter now advises the Election Officer that he wishes to withdraw his protest. The Election Officer, finding that the withdrawal effectuates the purpose of the *Rules*, permits the protest to be WITHDRAWN.

Any interested party not satisfied with this determination may request a hearing before the Election Appeals Master within one day of receipt of this letter. The parties are reminded that, absent extraordinary circumstances, no party may rely upon evidence that was not presented to the

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Office of the Election Officer in any such appeal. Requests for a hearing shall be made in writing and shall be served on:

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Copies of the request for hearing must be served on the parties listed above as well as upon the Election Officer, 400 North Capitol Street, Suite 855, Washington, D.C. 20001, Facsimile (202) 624-3525. A copy of the protest must accompany the request for a hearing.

Sincerely,

Barbara Zack Quindel
Election Officer

cc: Kenneth Conboy, Election Appeals Master
J. Griffin Morgan, Regional Coordinator