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June 1, 2021

Mr. Brian J. Wagner
President
National Association
of Postal Supervisors
1727 King Street Suite 400
Alexandria, VA 22314-2753

Dear Brian:

This is in regards to my March 9, 2021 correspondence and discussions with you on the temporary modification to Handbook EL-312, *Employment and Placement*, Section 743.15, *120-Calendar-Day Time Limit on Higher-Level Temporary Assignments*.

The Postal Service intends to extend this temporary modification until at least August 9. We will notify the National Association of Postal Supervisors sooner if we determine that this modification is no longer needed. This temporary modification will not apply to individuals that already exceeded the 120-calendar-day limit prior to April 17, 2020.

To support continuation of operations as part of the response to COVID-19 and the RIF avoidance activities directed by the restructuring, a temporary modification to this provision has been established to provide an exception to individuals currently in a higher-level temporary assignment (detail) and have not yet met the 120 calendar day limit. Those individuals that meet this criterion may remain in the current higher level, temporary assignment through August 9, 2021 and also be eligible to become or remain a potential candidate for the vacant position during this period.

Please contact me if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bruce A. Nicholson".

Bruce A. Nicholson
Manager
Labor Relations Policy Administration