



April 30, 2008

Mr. James M. Strickland
Member, Local 1053
220 Camellia Trace, #220
Maryville, TN 37801

Re: Appeal pursuant to Article 75 - Case No. 709
(renumbered to 712) in File No. 8-2-727

Dear Sir and Brother:

The Board gave careful consideration to all of the evidence presented in this case, and because the strict application of the requirements of Article 7 in this case, well after the election was held is fundamentally unfair in this case, particularly given the unique facts involved, it was moved, seconded, and carried (International President Futhey not participating) that the appeal be sustained.

Fraternally yours,

Kim N. Thompson
General Secretary - Treasurer

cc: M. B. Futhey Jr., International President
A. Martin III, Assistant President

bc: J. Horvath
B. Feltmeyer
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