

STATE OF WASHINGTON
BEFORE THE MARINE EMPLOYEES' COMMISSION

INLANDBOATMEN'S UNION
OF THE PACIFIC on behalf of
SHEILA GODDARD,

Grievant,

v.

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION, FERRIES
DIVISION,

Respondent.

MEC CASE NO. 4-08

DECISION NO. 547 – MEC

ORDER CLOSING
SETTLED GRIEVANCE

Schwerin, Campbell, Barnard and Iglitzin, by *Robert Lavitt*, Attorney, appearing for the Inlandboatmen's Union of the Pacific (IBU).

Rob McKenna, Attorney General, by *David Slown*, Assistant Attorney General, appearing for Washington State Department of Transportation, Ferries Division (WSF).

THIS MATTER came on regularly before the Marine Employees' Commission (MEC) on September 25, 2007, when the Inlandboatmen's Union of the Pacific filed a request for grievance arbitration, docketed as MEC Case No. 4-08. The IBU's grievance alleged that personal information (related to new hire screening) for Sheila Goddard was released by HealthForce to another IBU member, in violation of the IBU/WSF Collective Bargaining Agreement, WSF Code of Conduct and Employee Handbook.

Commissioner John Sullivan was assigned to act as Mediator for the settlement conference scheduled on November 5, 2007. Commissioner Elizabeth Ford was designated to act as Arbitrator and a hearing scheduled for December 12, 2007.

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At IBU's request, the November 5 settlement conference was rescheduled for November 16. The matter was not resolved on that date; however, discussion was to continue after IBU provided WSF with certain details. On December 10, the parties jointly requested the hearing be continued because they were actively engaged in discussions to resolve the matter. The December 12 hearing was cancelled.

On August 5, 2008, Margaret Pelland, IBU Business Agent, withdrew Case 4-08; it has been satisfactorily resolved by the parties.

ORDER

It is hereby ordered that the request for grievance arbitration, filed by the IBU and docketed as MEC Case No. 4-08, is closed in acknowledgement of the parties' agreement.

DATED this 20th day of August 2008.

MARINE EMPLOYEES' COMMISSION

/s/ JOHN SWANSON, Chairman

JOHN SULLIVAN, Commissioner

/s/ PATRICIA WARREN, Commissioner