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Terry Gerigk Wolf, Director  
VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System  
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University Drive  
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Subject: Demand to Bargain – VISN4 VAPHS Ground Rules and Rotation of Occupational  
Therapist Staff (AFGE Local 2028 and AFGE Local 3344)

Dear Mr. Wolf:

In accordance with Article 44, Section 2 C, of the Master Agreement, the National VA Council #53 formally demanding to bargain over the cited subject listed above in VISN 4 within the Department. Ms. Alma L. Lee will be naming the Chief Union Negotiator and negotiating team. Please provide the named bargaining committee with any information and/or data concerning the cited subject. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin no later than ten (10) workdays after the management chief negotiator in this matter receives our demand to bargain.

Please cease and desist any implementation until the bargaining obligation has been met. The named bargaining committee may request a briefing over the cited subject above, before sending any proposals. If you have any questions please contact me at (217) 554-4866.

Sincerely,

Oscar L. Williams, Jr.  
Chairperson, Mid-Term Bargaining Committee  
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cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53  
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