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March 23, 2006

Ronald E. Cowles, Deputy Assistant Secretary for
Labor-Management Relations (LMR), Suite 215
Department of Veterans Affairs
810 Vermont Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20420

Subject: Demand to Bargain – VA implementation of an Electronic Contract Management System

Dear Mr. Cowles:

The National VA Council #53 is formally demanding to bargain on VA implementation of an Electronic Contract Management System in the Department. Please provide the above named bargaining committee with any information and/or data concerning the cited subject above. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin 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
National VA Council #53

cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53
Executive Committee, NVAC

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