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Mid-Term Bargaining Committee**

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Norman E. Jacobs
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Department of Veterans Affairs
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Washington, DC 20420

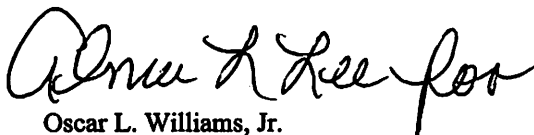
**Subject: Demand to Bargain – VHA Directive 2000-047, Billing Guidance for Services
Provided by Teaching Physicians and Residents**

Dear Mr. Jacobs:

In accordance with Article 44, Section 2 C, of the Master Agreement, the National VA Council is formally demanding to bargain over the VHA Directive 2000-047, Billing Guidance for Service Provided by Teaching Physicians and Residents 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 no later than ten (10) workdays after the Management Chairperson receives our demand to bargain.

Please cease and desist any implementation until the bargaining obligation has been met. The bargaining committee may request a briefing over the cited subject above, before sending any proposals. If you have any questions please call 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
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