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Timothy Shea, Director  
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VA Heart of Texas, Health Care Network (VISN 17)  
2301 East Lamar Blvd., Suite 650  
Arlington, TX 76006

Subject: Demand to Bargain – VISN 17 Management Analysis/Business Process Re-engineering  
Laundry Study

Dear Mr. Shea:

In accordance with Article 44, Section 2 C, of the Master Agreement, the National VA Council #53 formally demanding to bargain over the MABPR Laundry Study in VISN 17 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. Please contact me at (217) 554-4866 if you have any questions.

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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