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January 25, 2002

Mr. Duane Bridgewater
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Dear Duane,

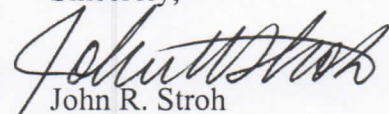
This letter is for the purpose of updating you and your representative Gary Langston following our conversation of 1/24/02, whereby we discussed aspects of employee interviews related to the 1/18/02 incident between you and Eddie Lucchesi, and the amount of time (the term) of administrative leave you have been placed on.

Following discussions with you and Gary, it was determined that I need to interview District employees Dale Hughes and Jim Sheffield also. I intend to interview them on either Thursday January 31 or Friday February 1. To this extent, I am extending your administrative leave through at least Sunday February 3, 2002. Additionally, if I am capable of completing all interviews prior to close of business Friday February 1, 2002, I propose that we (Eley, Stroh, Bridgewater and Langston) meet at the **District's Stockton office on Monday February 4, 2002 at 1:30 p.m.**, to review the status of the interviews with affected employees, and to determine what, if any, steps should follow.

Please call the District at (209) 982-4675 or 1-800-300-4675 and confirm with the office staff that you have received this letter and whether you can make the meeting on Monday February 4, 2002.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information regarding this letter.

Sincerely,


John R. Stroh
Manager

Cc: Gary Langston, SEIU Local 790
Chris Eley, District Legal Counsel
Chet Miller, Board President.