# New York City Transit

September 24, 2014

Evelyn Seinfeld Director, Research and Negotiations District Council 37, AFSME, AFL-CIO 125 Barclay Street New York, New York 10007

Re: 2010-2017 General Wage Increases

Dear Ms. Seinfeld:

This is in response to Lisa Riccio's e-mail dated July 9, 2014 requesting that the terms of the 2010-2017 DC-37 Memorandum of Agreement be applied to employees at New York City Transit who are represented by DC-37.

NYCT and MaBSTOA shall grant the same general wage increases, lump sum payment and additions to gross to employees represented by DC-37 as those described under Sections 2, 3 and 4 of the 2010-2017 Memorandum of Agreement with the City of New York. In addition, the parties agree that effective March 3, 2017 each bargaining unit shall have additional compensation funds available, not to exceed 0.52%, to purchase recurring benefits, which shall be mutually agreed upon by the parties.

The parties agree that DC-37 and NYCT and MaBSTOA will not put forth additional economic demands to negotiate on the issue of wages and salary adjustments for 2010 through 2017.

If the above accurately reflects your understanding and concurrence, please sign below and return this letter.

Very truly yours,

Christopher J. Johnson

Vice President

Labor Relations

I CONCUR FOR:

District Council 37, American Federation of State,

County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO

Locals 375, 1655, 2627, 1404, 154, 983

Evelyn Seinfeld

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Director Research
District Council 37

cc: L Riccio

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# Memo

To:

Evelyn Seinfeld

From:

Lisa Riccio

Date:

2/2/2015

Re:

Pay Dates at Transit Authority

The pay dates at Transit Authority have been changed:

#### **Tentative Dates Were:**

November 6 – General Wage Increase

December 4 – Retroactive \$ / Active Employees

January 8 – Retroactive \$ / Inactive Employees

# **Actual Pay Dates Are:**

December 18 – General Wage Increase

February 12 - Retroactive \$ /Active Employees

February 12 – Retroactive \$ / Inactive Employees

The reason for the delay is due to the Business Service Center.

The reason for the February date is because the BSC has a blackout period for 6 weeks (December + January) to process W-2 forms.

# The \$1000 Ratification Bonus was paid in the 11/21/14 paycheck.

Cc: David Paskin

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Jonathan Gray Robert Ajaye

# 2010-2017 Memorandum of Agreement District Council 37 and the City of New York

1. Term: 7 years and 4 months (88 months)

3/3/10 - 7/2/17

or 88 months from the date of termination of the applicable existing Successor Separate Unit Agreement.

#### 2. Ratification Bonus

A lump sum cash payment in the amount of \$1,000, pro-rated for other than full-time employees, shall be payable as soon as practicable upon ratification of the Agreement to those employees who are on payroll as of the date of ratification. The lump sum cash payment shall be pensionable, consistent with applicable law.

- i. Full-time per annum and full-time per diem Employees shall receive a pro-rata lump sum cash payment the computation of which shall be based on service during the period from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.
- ii. Where the regular and customary work year for a title is less than a twelve-month year, such as a school year, such computations shall be based on service during the period from September 5, 2013 through June 26, 2014 or other applicable dates for other school-based employees.
- iii. Part-time per annum, part-time per diem (including seasonal appointees), per session, hourly paid Employees and Employees whose normal work year is less than a full calendar year shall receive a pro-rata portion of the lump sum cash payment based on their regularly scheduled hours and the hours in a full calendar year.
- iv. The lump sum cash payments shall not become part of the Employee's basic salary rate nor be added to the Employee's basic salary for the calculation of any salary based benefits including the calculation of future collective bargaining increases.
- v. For circumstances that were not anticipated by the parties, the First Deputy Commissioner of Labor Relations may elect to issue, on a case-by-case basis, interpretations concerning the application of Section 2. of the 2010-2017 DC 37

MEA. Such case-by-case interpretations shall not be subject to any dispute resolution procedures as per past practice of the parties.

# 3. General Wage Increases

Effective Date		General Wage Increases
i.	September 3, 2011	1.00%
ü.	September 3, 2012	1.00% compounded
iii.	September 3, 2013	1.00% compounded
iv.	September 3, 2014	1.50% compounded
٧.	September 3, 2015	2.50% compounded
vi.	September 3, 2016	3.00% compounded

vii. For Separate Successor Unit Agreements with different effective dates, these general wage increases shall be implemented in accordance with the appropriate effective dates.

#### 4. Additions to Gross

- i. Effective September 3, 2016 or the applicable date of the Successor Separate Unit Agreement, the general increase provided for in subsections 3. (vi) shall be applied to "additions to gross." "Additions to gross." shall be defined to include uniform allowances, equipment allowances, transportation allowances, uniform maintenance allowance, assignment differentials, service increments, longevity differentials, advancement increases, assignment (level) increases, and experience, certification, educational, license, evening, or night shift differentials.
- ii. Section 4 i. does not apply to Recurring Increment Payments (RIPs) that automatically increase with wage increases.
- iii. Section 4 i. does not apply to Service Increments once earned for two years that are rolled into base salary and increased with wage increases.

## 5. Conditions of Payment

a. The lump sum cash payment pursuant to Section 2. of this 2010-2017 DC 37 MEA shall be payable as soon as practicable upon ratification of this 2010-2017 DC 37 MEA.

- b. The general increases pursuant to Section 3. i., ii. and iii. of this 2010-2017 DC 37 MEA shall be payable as soon as practicable upon execution of this 2010-2017 DC 37 MEA.
- c. The general increases pursuant to Section 3. iv. and v. of this 2010-2017 DC 37 MEA shall be payable as soon as practicable after the effective date of such increases of this 2010-2017 DC 37 MEA.
- d. The general increases provided in Section 3. vi. of this 2010-2017 DC 37 MEA shall be payable as soon as practicable upon the execution of the successor unit agreement.

## 6. Prohibition of Further Economic Demands

Except as provided for in Sections 7 and 10 of the Agreement, no Party to this agreement shall make additional economic demands during the term of this 2010-2017 DC 37 MEA or during the negotiations for the applicable Successor Separate Unit Agreement.

#### 7. Additional Compensation Funds

Effective 3/3/17 or the applicable date of the Successor Separate Unit Agreement, each bargaining unit shall have available funds not to exceed 0.52% to purchase recurring benefits, mutually agreed to by the parties, other than to enhance the general wage increases set forth in Section 3 or the hiring rate for new employees. The funds available shall be based on the December 31, 2011 payroll, including spinoffs and pensions. The final general wage increase in this Agreement as stated in Section 3 (vi) shall not be paid unless and until these negotiations are completed by the parties. A unit may purchase a floating holiday for employees hired on or after 7/1/04 out of the ACF.

# 8. <u>Health Savings and Welfare Fund Contributions</u>

The May 5, 2014 Letter Agreement regarding health savings and welfare fund contributions between the City of New York and the Municipal Labor Committee, will be attached as an Appendix, and is deemed to be part of this 2010-2017 DC 37 MEA.

9. The final general wage increase in this Agreement as specified in Section 3 (vi) shall not be paid unless and until there is a signed separate unit agreement.

Nothing contained in this current Agreement shall preclude the parties from their continuing discussions to identify, review, recommend and develop initiatives that will generate workplace savings, maximize the potential of the City workforce and ensure the provision of essential services, while at the same time providing increased compensation for the workforce. The parties must conclude all discussions regarding this Section no later than 24 months after the date of ratification of the Agreement unless the parties have mutually agreed to extend the deadline. Any claim that either party has of enforcement of a mutually agreed upon savings proposal shall be submitted to an expedited arbitration panel with the assistance of the Office of Collective Bargaining. The expedited arbitration panel shall not be used to decide the substance, merit or value of either of the parties' specific savings proposals. The final general wage increase in this Agreement as stated in Section 3 (vi) shall not be paid unless and until these discussions are completed by the parties or unless the parties mutually agree to extend the deadline.

# 11. Joint Recruitment and Promotion Study Committee (R&P Committee)

- A. The parties agree to establish the Joint Recruitment and Promotion Study Committee (R&P Committee), which shall consist of four representatives from DC37, and one representative each from the Department of Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the Mayor's Office of Operations, and the Office of Labor Relations (OLR).
- B. The R&P Committee shall make recommendations regarding ways of increasing the recruitment, retention, and promotional opportunities for minorities and women in DC37 titles, where such populations have been historically under-represented.
- C. The R&P Committee can, by mutual agreement, consult with other municipal agencies, municipal employers, municipal unions, and such other private sector and public sector subject matter experts as necessary to carry out its mission.
- D. Among the areas to be considered by the R&P Committee are the following:
  - D.1. A review of the City's process of selection for promotions to DC37 titles including the impact of the 1 in 3 selection rule on promotional opportunities for minorities and women in DC 37 titles.
  - D.2. A review of DC37 titles with limited promotional opportunities to make recommendations to DCAS regarding the need for promotional opportunities and/or the establishment of new titles or levels if necessary;
  - D.3. Developing a program to facilitate internal recruitment of DC37 employees for collateral promotion across titles series; such a program could include the establishment of trainee positions or alternate training programs; A review of available city and union funded training programs to make recommendations to DCAS and the DC37 Education Fund concerning the establishment of new training and skills upgrading programs and courses to enhance employees' opportunities for career advancement, if warranted: and

- D.4. Opportunities to more efficiently and effectively utilize existing funding sources for training DC37 members.
- E. Wherever possible, the R&P Committee will utilize relevant studies and analyses already prepared by DCAS and the DC37 Education Fund. The R&P Committee shall make prospective recommendations only.
- F. The R&P Committee shall issue a preliminary set of recommendations within six months of ratification of this agreement, and shall determine a date for issuing a final set of recommendations. The parties can mutually agree to extend the six month deadline. The dates for issuing preliminary and final recommendations may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties.
- G. There shall be \$150,000 reserved for the R&P Committee for the tem of this Agreement, to, by mutual agreement, assist in this effort. The R&P Committee may also seek additional grant funding to support its work.
- 12. Immediately after ratification, the City shall make good faith efforts to ensure due process protections for provisionals, similar to the Citywide Agreement due process procedures, for provisional employees in the Department of Education, New York City Housing Authority and the NYC Health and Hospitals Corporation.
- 13. Except as provided for in Section 14, this Agreement does not apply to DC 37-represented Prevailing Rate Groups, EMS, Fire Protection Inspectors, Urban Park Rangers and also Traffic Enforcement Agents Level III and IV who shall be the subject of subsequent negotiations.

#### 14. Prevailing Rate

- i. The general wage increases in Section 3 of the 2010-2017 District Council 37 MEA shall be available to prevailing rate groups who have settled the "2008-2010" round of bargaining.
- ii. The effective dates of the general wage increases in Section 14 i., above, shall conform to the corresponding dates for each bargaining unit, as applicable.
- 15. The Agreement is subject to union ratification

FOR THE CITY OF NEW YORK

FOR DISTRICT COUNCIL 37, AFSCME, AFL-CIO

BY: TO THE TALL THE

Commissioner of Labor Relations

July 1, 2014

LILLIAN ROBERTS

Executive Director