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National Football League Management Council
Attn: Kevin Manara, Senior Labor Relations Counsel
345 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10154

Re: National Football League Players
Association (National Football League
Management Council)
Case No. 02-CB-188067

Enclosed is a copy of a charge that has been filed in this case. Although this charge is not filed against you, it is necessary for us to obtain information from you to determine whether we have jurisdiction over this case. In the future we may also need to obtain evidence from you concerning the merits of the charge. This letter tells you how to contact the Board agent who will be investigating the charge, explains your right to be represented, discusses presenting your evidence, and provides a brief explanation of our procedures, including how to submit documents to the NLRB.

Investigator: This charge is being investigated by Field Attorney JULIE R. ULMET whose telephone number is (212)776-8650. If this Board agent is not available, you may contact Supervisory Attorney SUZANNE SULLIVAN whose telephone number is (212)776-8646.

Right to Representation: You have the right to be represented by an attorney or other representative in any proceeding before us. If you choose to be represented, your representative must notify us in writing of this fact as soon as possible by completing *Form NLRB-4701, Notice of Appearance*. This form is available on our website, www.nlr.gov, or from an NLRB office upon your request.

If you are contacted by someone about representing you in this case, please be assured that no organization or person seeking your business has any "inside knowledge" or favored relationship with the National Labor Relations Board. Their knowledge regarding this proceeding was only obtained through access to information that must be made available to any member of the public under the Freedom of Information Act.

Presentation of Your Evidence: We seek prompt resolutions of labor disputes. Therefore, I urge you or your representative to submit the enclosed Commerce Questionnaire to enable us to determine whether the NLRB has jurisdiction over this dispute. If you recently submitted this information in another case, or if you need assistance completing the form, please contact the Board agent.

If, during the investigation of this matter, the Board agent asks for evidence, I strongly urge you or your representative to promptly present all evidence relevant to the investigation. In this way, the case may be fully investigated more quickly.

We will not honor any request to place limitations on our use of position statements or evidence beyond those prescribed by the Freedom of Information Act and the Federal Records Act. Thus, we will not honor any claim of confidentiality except as provided by Exemption 4 of FOIA, 5 U.S.C. Sec. 552(b)(4), and any material you submit may be introduced as evidence at a hearing before an administrative law judge. We are also required by the Federal Records Act to keep copies of documents gathered in our investigation for some years after a case closes. Further, the Freedom of Information Act may require that we disclose such records in closed cases upon request, unless there is an applicable exemption. Examples of those exemptions are those that protect confidential financial information or personal privacy interests.

Procedures: We strongly urge everyone to submit all documents and other materials by E-Filing (not e-mailing) through our website, www.nlr.gov. However, the Agency will continue to accept timely filed paper documents. On all your correspondence regarding the charge, please include the case name and number indicated above.

Information about the Agency, the procedures we follow in unfair labor practice cases and our customer service standards is available on our website, www.nlr.gov or from an NLRB office upon your request. *NLRB Form 4541, Investigative Procedures*, offers information that is helpful to parties involved in an investigation of an unfair labor practice charge.

We can provide assistance for persons with limited English proficiency or disability. Please let us know if you or any of your witnesses would like such assistance.

Very truly yours,



Karen P. Fernbach
Regional Director

Enclosures

1. Copy of Charge
2. Commerce Questionnaire