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Dear Sirs and Brothers:

This office continues to receive reports of various carriers leaving crews on trains for long periods of time after they have expired under the Hours of Service Act. These reports make it obvious that the carriers, in most cases, are ignoring the commitment contained within Side Letter 14 of the December 16, 2003 National Agreement. Therefore, I am requesting that each of you who are experiencing this problem on areas under the jurisdictions of your respective offices provide this office with detailed data concerning incidents of abuse in relieving crews after the hours of service expires.

I have assigned a member of our staff to accumulate the data and put it into a format that we can use in various means to address and correct these abuses by the carriers. As always, your assistance in this important matter is greatly appreciated.

With best wishes and personal regards, I remain

Fraternaly yours,
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