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Area Manager, Labor Relations

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January 4, 2011

Omar Gonzalez
Western Regional Coordinator
American Postal Workers Union
1350 Old Bayshore Hwy. Suite 360
Burlingame, CA 94010

Omar M. Gonzalez, Coordinator

Dear Mr. Gonzalez:

On October 6, 2010, we notified you that we were beginning an Area Mail Processing (AMP) feasibility study at the Salinas Processing & Distribution Facility (P&DF) to see if it would make business sense to consolidate remaining operations into the San Jose Processing and Distribution Center. The Bay Valley District Office has completed its review and submitted it to the Pacific Area Office for consideration.

We welcome public input and will hold a public meeting to explain the proposed changes on Wednesday, January 19, 2011 at 5p.m., at the Steinbeck Institute of Arts and Culture (formerly Sherwood Hall), 940 N Main Steet, Salinas, CA 93901.

Attached please find a summary brief of the AMP proposal. We will post presentation materials along with the summary brief on our website, *usps.com*, one week prior to the meeting.

We also will accept any written public comment on the study up to 15 days after the meeting. Comments may be mailed to:

Manager, Consumer Affairs
Bay Valley District
201 13th Street, Rm. 228
Oakland, Ca 94612-9605

If you have any questions concerning this AMP proposal, please contact either myself at (858) 674-3184 or Linda Shumate, Pacific Area Complement Coordinator at 858-674-3183.

Sincerely,

Mike Thomas
Area Manager, Labor Relations

Attachment

cc: Area Vice President

HQ Vice President, Labor Relations
Area Manager, Human Resources

AREA MAIL PROCESSING (AMP) FEASIBILITY STUDY
Salinas, CA P&DF to San Jose, CA P&DC

Date: January 4, 2011

Area Mail Processing (AMP) is the consolidation of mail processing operations from one or more postal facilities to other facilities to improve operational efficiency and/or service.

An AMP study was initiated to evaluate the transfer of mail processing operations from the Salinas, CA Processing and Distribution Facility (P&DF) to the San Jose, CA Processing and Distribution Center (P&DC). The initial results of this study support the business case for consolidation.

A public meeting will be held to share the initial results of the study and allow members of the community to ask questions and provide feedback. This study, currently in review at United States Postal Service Headquarters and its Area Office, is subject to change. The public's input will be considered prior to a final decision.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 19, 2011 at the Steinbeck Institute of Arts and Culture (formerly Sherwood Hall) at 940 N. Main Street Salinas, CA 93901 at 5:00 P.M. Below are preliminary highlights from the feasibility study:

1. Business Case:

Proposed annual savings in the draft AMP feasibility study are approximately \$586,000.

2. Postal Employees:

Due to the consolidation, a net decrease of approximately 26 positions is projected. All reassignments will be made in accordance with collective bargaining agreements.

3. Local Customer Considerations:

Services that are currently available from the Salinas facility will continue to be available.

- Collection box pick-up times will not change as a result of the AMP.
- Retail services will remain the same.
- Business mail acceptance will remain the same.
- A local postmark will be available for stamped First-Class Mail.
- Delivery of mail to residences and businesses will not change as a result of the AMP.

4. Commercial Mailers:

- Mailers who presort mail will continue to receive the applicable postage discounts
- Mailers who drop ship to Destination Sectional Center Facility (DSCF) 939 can expect changes if the AMP is approved.

Written comments may be sent to:

MANAGER CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BAY-VALLEY DISTRICT
201 13TH STREET ROOM 228
OAKLAND CA 94612-9605

All comments must be postmarked by February 3, 2011.