

# American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO

## Memorandum

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From the Office of WILLIAM BURRUS  
President

June 7, 2010

TO: **Cliff Guffey**

SUBJECT: **USPS is Gathering Data Concerning Distribution Compression  
(Notification No. GCCG20100221)**

Please find attached a copy of a letter dated 6/4/2010 from John Dockins, regarding the above reference matter.

You are designated as the APWU contact person in this matter. Contact the USPS representative as soon as possible for discussion, if appropriate. Please provide notification of your review to me by 7/7/2010.

Please note: Your secretary should update the Notification Tracking Module in Step 4 CAS as necessary.

Attachment

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LABOR RELATIONS

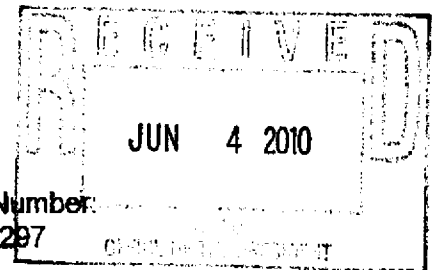


June 4, 2010

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Dear Bill:

As a matter of general interest, this letter provides notice that the Postal Service, consistent with historical practice, is gathering data concerning Distribution Compression. It is anticipated that the program will allow the Postal Service to align resources with work load at an optimum efficiency and schedule equipment and employees to match the work load. Its purpose is to compress processing time and resources to maximize productivity and achieve performance improvements across all tours.

It has been designed to provide a standardized process for all mail processing facilities. It is aimed at providing a structured and detailed approach to analyzing all operations in the organization's mail processing facilities in order to identify and propose improvements to capture all possible savings. This standardization will further improve our current methods and help place the organization in a better position to manage in the current economic environment.

Data collection will begin next week and continue through July 23, at the following pilot sites:

- Columbia, South Carolina Processing & Distribution Center (P&DC)
- Charleston, South Carolina P&DC
- Madison, Wisconsin P&DC

Data collection will begin on June 28 and run through August 13 at the following pilot sites:

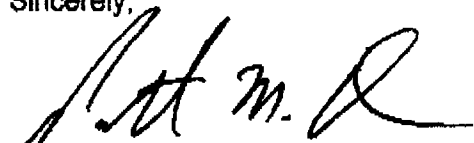
- Central Massachusetts P&DC
- San Bernardino, California P&DC
- Birmingham, Alabama P&DC
- Austin, Texas P&DC
- Spokane, Washington P&DC

Further information will be provided as it becomes available. Any movement or reassignment of employees as a result of this Distribution Compression will be accomplished by application of Article 12 and other relevant contractual provisions.

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If you have any questions or concerns regarding this pilot, please contact Labor Relations Specialist Patrick Devine at (202) 268-5421.

Sincerely,



for

John W. Dockins  
Manager  
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