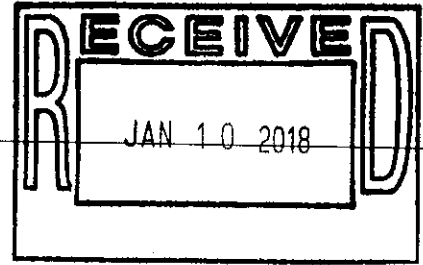


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January 5, 2018

Mr. Brian J. Wagner
President
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Dear Brian:

This letter is follow-up to the October 5, 2017 notice (enclosed) regarding the Postal Service plan to test two vendor pilot systems (Solystic and Siemens) of the Advanced Letter Processing System (ALPS).

The testing period for the vendor pilot systems has been extended and is anticipated to run through June 2018. This extension period will include continued research and development of the systems and rigid trays, including intervals when the systems will process live letter mail.

The Solystic system has completed its initial testing of live mail in the Richmond, Virginia P&DC. The offices and zones run on the system were modified from the ones identified in the October 5, 2017 notice as follows:

OFFICE	ZONE(S)	
Sandston	23150	Removed
Bellevue	23227	Removed
West End	23230	
Chester	23831 & 23836	
Chesterfield	23832 & 23838	
Westhampton	23226	Added

The Siemens system is scheduled to being testing live mail in the Oklahoma City, Oklahoma P&DC in January.

During the extended testing period, it is anticipated that the same offices and zones will be used at the Richmond, VA P&DC and Oklahoma City, OK P&DC. If it is decided to modify any of the offices and/or zones notice will be provided.

If you have any questions, please contact Bruce Nicholson at extension 7773.

Sincerely,

Rickey R. Dean
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Enclosure



October 5, 2017

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Dear Brian:

This letter is further follow-up to the Postal Service plan to test two vendor pilot systems (Solystic and Siemens) of the Advanced Letter Processing System (ALPS). Notice of this initiative has previously been provided by letters dated May 8 and July 7 (enclosed).

As previously informed, the objective of this initiative is to improve, to the maximum extent possible, the efficiencies associated with unloading, staging, moving, and outbound loading of letter trays in a Processing and Distribution Center (P&DC), and the sortation of the letters within those trays to a delivery point sequence (DPS) that puts the letters in carrier walk sequence. The systems will use rigid letter trays, which will be provided to the appropriate delivery units.

The Solystic system is scheduled to begin testing live mail in the Richmond, Virginia P&DC in November and will process letter mail for the following offices and zones:

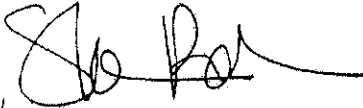
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Bellevue	23227
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The Siemens system is scheduled to begin testing live mail in the Oklahoma City, Oklahoma P&DC in December and will process letter mail for the following offices and zones:

OFFICE	ZONE(S)
Britton	73113, 73114, 73116, 73131, & 73151
Moore	73153 & 73160
Santa Fe	73170

If you have any questions, please contact Shannon Richardson at extension 5842.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures