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## Board Memo 002-2020 – USPS Update on Puerto Rico Earthquake

Executive Board,

As you may know, Puerto Rico has been hit with a series of earthquakes yesterday (January 6) and into this morning, with the latest being around 9:00 AM. The Postal Service has provided a brief summary of the current situation in Puerto Rico.

- # 1 priority is to account for and ensure the safety of all employees
- There are no reports of employee injuries at this time
- The NE Area and Caribbean District are working diligently to make contact with and account for all employees
- Three (3) postal facilities have been identified with damage
  - Yauco Level 22 Post Office had the roof collapse closed down
  - Ensenada some damage to lighting and fixtures engineers are being sent in to assess damage
  - Guayanilla road closures prevent getting to the building to assess damage at this time
- Other facilities in the area with minor damage but operational
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  - Guanica was closed down temporarily for threat of tsunami, but that threat has been lifted
- Some other facilities temporarily closed by the government for precautionary measures
- No issues with any of the processing plants
- Although the Island is without power, all facilities have generators
- All other areas of the Island outside the impact area are business as usual
- Mail is getting in and out of Puerto Rico Airport and piers are open
- Relevant Safety Talks are being distributed to employees at all operational facilities

NAPS ask that we keep all those impacted by this devastating natural disaster in your thoughts and prayers. Please know that the Postal Employees Relief Fund (PERF) is available to help those in our postal family, who may be in need. All donations to PERF is greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

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