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Mr. Ivan Butts President National Association of Postal Supervisors 1727 King Street, Suite 400 Alexandria, VA 22314-2753 Certified Mail Number 9589 0710 5270 0888 3004 35

Dear Ivan:

This is in further reference to the implementation of the Network Optimization and Plant Modernization Plan, consistent with the Postmaster General's 10-year plan, *Delivering for America*. In support of the network transformation initiative, a new facility type of Regional Transfer Hub (RTH) has been established to handle the aggregation and disaggregation of mail and packages, serving as a transfer point from other RTHs. This information was communicated on September 19 (enclosed).

Regional Transfer Hubs (RTH) are either standalone operations or collocated with a Regional Processing & Distribution Centers (RPDC). Through plant modernization and network optimization initiatives, there will be three (3) types of mail processing plants in the network:

Regional Processing and Distribution Centers (RPDC)	RPDCs process all originating packages; and may also process originating letters and flats for a region and in most cases destinating packages for the region. These plants act as a transfer point for cross dock operations for mail and packages from other RPDCs.
Local Processing Centers (LPC)	LPCs process all destinating mail (letters and flats) and may process destinating packages for their local area, Sorting and Delivery Centers (SDCs), Delivery Units and Post Offices.
Regional Processing and Distribution Centers (RPDC) Regional Transfer Hub (RTH)	RPDC RTHs complete the aggregation and disaggregation of product. These plants are standalone and are not collocated with originating and destinating mail processing. These plants act as a transfer point for cross dock operations for mail and packages from other RTHs.

RPDC Regional Transfer Hubs (RTH) will utilize the same plant ranking methodology as Regional Processing & Distribution Centers and Local Processing Centers (LPC). The facility rank is based on the established thresholds for combined Function 1 and Function 3b staffing. The management staffing at a RPDC RTH will mirror that of a Local Processing Center (LPC). Criteria is enclosed for reference.

The facility naming convention for RPDC RTH sites will include the city name associated with the largest municipality in the geographic proxy combined with the State abbreviation and the facility type. If an RTH facility is located within an RPDC operation, the facility will retain the RPDC classification only.

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As facilities are modernized, the new ranking and staffing criteria will be applied, and the authorized staffing will be adjusted using the new criteria. Plants that have not yet been modernized will maintain their current levels and will continue to use the previously established staffing criteria.

Below is a current listing of the six (6) RPDCs with RTH operations collocated:

Processing	Logistics
BOISE ID RPDC	LOG BOISE ID RPDC
Finance Number 150926	Finance Number 150916
2201 S COLE RD	2201 S COLE RD
BOISE, ID 83708	BOISE, ID 83708
RICHMOND VA RPDC	LOG RICHMOND VA RPDC
Finance Number 517649	Finance Number 517601
5801 TECHNOLOGY BLVD	5801 TECHNOLOGY BLVD
SANDSTON, VA 23150	SANDSTON, VA 23150
PORTLAND OR RPDC	LOG PORTLAND OR RPDC
Finance Number 406785	Finance Number 406782
7007 NE CORNFOOT RD	7007 NE CORNFOOT RD
PORTLAND, OD 97218	PORTLAND, OD 97218
ATLANTA GA RPDC	LOG ATLANTA GA RPDC
Finance Number 125200	Finance Number 125201
700 PALMETTO LOGISTICS PKWY	700 PALMETTO LOGISTICS PKWY
PALMETTO, GA 30268	PALMETTO, GA 30268
CHARLOTTE NC RPDC	LOG CHARLOTTE NC RPDC
Finance Number 360028	Finance Number 364550
524 SCALYBARK ROAD	524 SCALYBARK ROAD
GASTONIA, GA 28228	GASTONIA, GA 28228
INDIANAPOLIS IN RPDC Finance Number 174051	LOG INDIANAPOLIS IN RPDC
5505 BROOKVILLE RD	Finance Number 174050
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46219	5505 BROOKVILLE RD INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46219
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The two standalone RPDC RTH sites in Phoenix, Arizona and Dallas, Texas will be renamed as follows:

Processing	Logistics
Phoenix AZ RPDC RTH	LOG-PHOENIX AZ RPDC RTH
Finance Number 036358	Finance Number 036400
12250 W CORPORATE DR	12250 W CORPORATE DR
AVONALDE, AZ 85323	AVONALDE, AZ 85323
DALLAS TX RPDC RTH	LOG-DALLAS TX RPDC RTH
Finance Number 482296	Finance Number 482297
1421 N COCKRELL HILL RD	1421 N COCKRELL HILL RD
DALLAS TX 75211	DALLAS TX 75211
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Please contact Paulita Wimbush at extension 4042 if you have questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Bruce A. Nicholson

Director

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Enclosures



September 19, 2024

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Dear Ivan:

This is in further reference to the implementation of a Network Optimization and Plant Modernization Plan, consistent with the Postmaster General's 10-year plan, *Delivering for America*.

As part of Regional Processing and Distribution Centers (RPDCs) integration, the Postal Service intends to establish Regional Transfer Hubs (RTHs) to handle the aggregation and disaggregation of mail and packages, serving as a transfer point from other RTHs.

Additionally, the location of an RTH has been identified and is planned to be operational in November 2024. The location of the facility is immediately below:

Dallas RTH 1421 N Cockrell Hill Road Dallas, Texas 75212

The facility will be part of the Dallas Network Distribution Center bid cluster. Any movement of employees and related regional and/or local notifications will be done in accordance with the respective collective bargaining agreements. Please contact Lindsey A. Butler at extension 7194 if you have questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely.

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Director

Labor Relations Policies and Programs

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Effective November 2, 2024

The following management staffing criteria applies for the three (3) types of mail processing plants in the network:

- 1. Local Processing Centers (LPC)
- 2. Regional Processing and Distribution Centers (RPDC)
- 3. Regional Transfer Hub (RTH)

Staffing criteria is published and available to view on <u>JD Online</u>

Questions on established EAS staffing criteria can be directed to <u>Field Staffing—Organization Design</u>

PLANT MANAGEMENT

The following criteria apply to these jobs:

2302-0044 EXEC REGIONAL PLANT MANAGER (MAJOR) PCES-01

2302-0045 EXEC REGIONAL PLANT MANAGER (1) PCES-01

2302-0046 EXEC REGIONAL PLANT MANAGER (2) PCES-01

2302-0047 EXEC PLANT MANAGER (1) PCES-01

2302-0048 EXEC PLANT MANAGER (2) PCES-01

2302-0042 PLANT MANAGER V-02

2302-0049 PLANT MANAGER EAS-25

2302-0043 PLANT MANAGER EAS-23

One (1) authorized at mail processing facilities. Plant Manager levels are established based on facility ranking and thresholds of combined Function 1 and Function 3B staffing. Plant Manager titles are determined based on facility type.

MAIL PROCESSING & DISTRIBTION

The following criteria apply to these jobs:

2315-0067 MGR DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS EAS-19

2315-0087 MGR DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS EAS-19 (SDA)

2315-7141 MGR DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS EAS-20

2315-7140 MGR DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS EAS-22

2315-7139 MGR DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS EAS-24

2315-7138 SR MGR DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS EAS-25

2315-0078 SR MGR DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS EAS-26

Mgr Distribution Operations (MDO) are earned at a 1:22 ratio, minus earned Supervisor Distribution Operations (SDO).

On-rolls excludes: MHAs and PSEs that have zero work hours at the time of the data pull. MHAs and PSEs on-rolls and working but exceeding contractual caps are not included in the calculation.

Job levels are tied to the level of the plant. The following chart shows the maximum number of positions allowed per level. If an odd number of positions remain, the additional MDO is authorized at the higher level.

Facility Level	MDO-19	MDO-20	MDO-22	MDO-24	SR MDO-25	SR MDO-26
EAS-23	Rest	1				
EAS-25	Half the Rest	Half the rest	1			
V-02		Half the rest	Half the rest	1		
Level 2 Level 1		Half the rest	Half the rest	2	1	
Major		Half the rest	Half the rest	2	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	1

Facilities will not automatically earn MDOs for tour coverage. With approval from the Division Director, facilities that earn less than five (5) MDOs based on the ratio, may exchange an earned SDO-17 for MDO-19 up to five (5) if the number of MDOs does not exceed the number of remaining SDO positions.

Occupation code 2315-0087 MDO EAS-19 is for use only in facilities where the MDO manages bargaining employees directly, and therefore qualifies for the supervisor differential adjustment (SDA; reference ELM Section 412.1).

The following criteria apply to these jobs:

2315-0066 SUPV DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS EAS-17

Earned at 1:25 ratio, based on on-rolls mail processing craft count. The SDO/MDO Staffing Tool on the Workforce webpage reflects the number of earned positions in each facility.

On-rolls excludes: MHAs and PSEs that have zero work hours at the time of the data pull. MHAs and PSEs on-rolls and working but exceeding contractual caps are not included in the calculation.

MDOs that have been authorized in exchange for SDOs will be included in the total earned SDO calculations.

Effective November 2, 2024

PROCESSING SUPPORT

The following criteria apply to these jobs:

2315-0107 MGR PROCESSING SUPPORT EAS-22 2315-7146 MGR PROCESSING SUPPORT EAS-24

2315-0023 MGR PROCESSING SUPPORT EAS-25

2315-0108 MGR PROCESSING SUPPORT EAS-26

Manager Processing Support is authorized at Regional Processing Distribution Centers (RPDCs), Local Processing Centers (LPCs), & Regional Transfer Hubs (RTH) based on facility level.

Facility Level	MPS-22	MPS-24	MPS-25	MPS-26
EAS-25	1			
V-02		1		
Level 2			1	
Level 1			1	
Major				1

The following criteria apply to these jobs:

0896-0028 INDUSTRIAL ENGINEER (PROCESSING) EAS-21 0896-0029 INDUSTRIAL ENGINEER (PROCESSING) EAS-23

Industrial Engineers (Processing) are authorized at Regional Processing Distribution Centers (RPDCs), Local Processing Centers (LPCs), and Regional Transfer Hubs (RTH) based on the facility type and level.

	LPC & RTH Staffing		RPDC Staffing		
Facility Level	IEP-21	IEP-23	IEP-21	IEP-23	
Level 2	1		1	1	
Level 1		1	2	1	
Major	1	1	3	1	

Effective November 2, 2024

The following criteria apply to these jobs:

2315-0106 PROCESSING SUPPORT SPECIALIST EAS-17 2315-0105 PROCESSING SUPPORT SPECIALIST EAS-20

Processing Support Specialists are authorized at Regional Processing Distribution Centers (RPDCs), Local Processing Centers (LPCs), and Regional Transfer Hubs (RTH) based on the facility type and level.

Facility Level	LPC & RTH Staffing		RPDC Staffing	
	PSS-17	PSS-20	PSS-17	PSS-20
EAS-23	1	1		
EAS-25	1	1		
V-02	2	1		-
Level 2	2	1	3	2
Level 1	3	1	3	2
Major	3	1	4	2

MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS

The following criteria apply to these jobs:

2355-0020 MGR MAINTENANCE EAS-22 2355-0019 MGR MAINTENANCE EAS-24

1640-7037 MGR MAINTENANCE EAS-25

2355-0067 MGR MAINTENANCE EAS-26

Manager Maintenance is authorized at Regional Processing Distribution Centers (RPDCs), Local Processing Centers (LPCs), and Regional Transfer Hubs (RTH) based on facility level.

Facility Level	MM-22	MM-24	MM-25	MW-26
EAS-25	1			
V-02		1		
Level 2			1	
Level 1			1	
Major				1

Effective November 2, 2024

The following criteria apply to these jobs:

2355-0011 MGR MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS EAS-19 2355-0028 MGR MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS EAS-21 2355-0027 MGR MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS EAS-23

Manager Maintenance Operations is authorized at Regional Processing Distribution Centers (RPDCs), Local Processing Centers (LPCs), and Regional Transfer Hubs (RTH) based on facility level.

Facility Level	MMO-19	MMO-21	MMO-23
V-02	1	1	
Level 2	1	1	
Level 1	2	2	
Major	2	2	1

With approval from HQ Maintenance, facilities that earn less than five (5) MMOs may exchange an earned SMO-17 for MMO-19 up to five (5) if the number of MMOs does not exceed the number of remaining SMO positions.

The following criteria apply to these jobs:

2355-0021 MGR MAINTENANCE SUPPORT EAS-19 2355-0046 MGR MAINTENANCE SUPPORT EAS-21

Manager Maintenance Support is authorized at Regional Processing Distribution Centers (RPDCs), Local Processing Centers (LPCs), and Regional Transfer Hubs (RTH) based on facility level.

Facility Level	MMS-19	MMS-21
V-02	1	
Level 2		1
Level 1		1
Major		1

Effective November 2, 2024

The following criteria apply to these jobs:

2355-0010 SUPV MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS EAS-17

Supervisor Maintenance Operations (SMO) are authorized based on eWHEP authorized maintenance craft complement. Ratio of 1:12 until 6 SMOs earned, then ratio of 1:20 for the remainder.

Auth Craft	SMO
0 - 15	0
16 - 27	1
28 - 39	2
40 - 51	3
52 - 63	4
64 - 75	5
76 - 96	6
97 - 116	7
117 - 136	8
137 - 156	9
157 - 176	10
177 - 196	11

LDC 39 is included in the SMO calculation. SMOs are not earned in non-maintenance capable offices.

The following criteria apply to these jobs:

2355-0030 MAINTENANCE SUPPORT SPECIALIST EAS-19

Maintenance Support Specialist is authorized at Level 1 and Major Regional Processing Distribution Centers (RPDCs), Local Processing Centers (LPCs), and Regional Transfer Hubs (RTH).

The following management staffing criteria applies for the twothree (23) types of mail processing plants in the network:

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- 2.3. Regional Transfer Hub (RTH)

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