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Dear Brian:

As a matter of general interest, the Postal Service has established guidelines for scheduling Preventive Maintenance Inspection (PMI) service intervals for the newly acquired Postal Service vehicles, the 2015 Ram Tradesman and the 2016 or newer ProMaster Extended Capacity Vehicle. These guidelines are in accordance with manufacturer recommendations.

These guidelines are established to ensure the lowest overall maintenance cost without negative impact to the service or reliability of the vehicle. This is part of ongoing efforts to update and improve the Fleet Management PMI program. The goal is to continually improve the reliability, safety and appearance of Postal Service vehicles while controlling maintenance costs.

The use of the same service intervals for previous vehicle types would require oil changes to occur at approximately 3,000 miles, while the manufacturer recommendations for Ram Tradesman and ProMaster vehicles allow up to 10,000 miles between oil changes. Therefore, in accordance with manufacturer recommended maintenance cycles, the following service intervals will be established.

The following Scheduled Maintenance Interval Table defines the appropriate cycle for each vehicle type based on mileage.

Maintenance Period Cycles per Annual Accumulated Miles				
Vehicle Type	52 Weeks	36 Weeks	32 Weeks	26 Weeks
Tradesman	<10,000	10,001-13,000	13,000-15,000	15,001-20,000
ProMaster	<10,000	10,001-13,000	13,000-15,000	15,001-20,000

**Note: 52 Week Cycle: The 10,000 Miles per year is less than 833 miles monthly.
 36 Week Cycle: The 10,001 - 13,000 Miles per year is between 834-1100 miles monthly.**

32 Week Cycle: The 13,000 - 15,001 Miles per year is between 1101 – 1325 miles monthly.

26 Week Cycle: The 15,001 - 20,000 miles per year is more than 1250 miles monthly.

This is effective immediately, Vehicle Maintenance Facilities (VMFs) are required to use these new guidelines for scheduling all PMIs, including those performed by contractors. This guidance does not affect policies or procedures published for the maintenance of vehicles outside of the 2015 Ram Tradesman and 2016 or newer Ram ProMaster. This memo is an addition to Vehicle Maintenance Bulletin (VMB) V-03-10.

If you have any questions, please contact Robert Ocasio at extension 2057.

Sincerely,



for

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