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Mr. Ivan D. Butts
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Dear Ivan:

As a matter of general interest, the Postal Service plans to test a new system that will unload parcel containers, Robotic Unloader and Verification System (RUVS), at the Charlotte, North Carolina Regional Processing and Distribution Center (RPDC).

The RUVS is designed to pick up a container of parcels and unload the parcels onto a conveyor belt or cart docking station that will then feed the parcels onto an existing conveyor system. The feed system will initially have a short pallet conveyor that the Postal Service plans to expand to a full pallet feed system. The robot is capable of lifting and emptying half and full gaylord boxes, wire containers and plastic carts that contain up to 800 pounds of parcels.

The RUVS system at the Charlotte, NC RPDC is scheduled for installation on June 18 and testing is scheduled to begin July 15.

Please contact Dion Mealy at 202-507-0193 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Shannon R. Richardson".

Shannon R. Richardson
Director
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