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Dear Bill:

As a matter of general interest, the Postal Service has received approval from the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to offer voluntary early retirement (VER) to employees of the APWU bargaining units, as follows:

- All clerk craft employees, nationwide.
- All eligible employees in the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Remote Encoding Center (REC).
- All eligible employees in the Selma, California REC.

This VER authority affords the Postal Service an opportunity to voluntarily reduce its workforce and maintain excellent customer service, in line with automation and technological advances and mail volume reductions.

Enclosed, as information, are copies of the Postal Service's requests and OPM's approval letters.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Hércules at (202) 268-4356.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures