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Re: National Postal Professional Nurses Union

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Dear Bill:

In April of this year, I informed you that the National Postal Professional Nurses Union was contemplating a merger with the American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO. With your encouragement, I met with Idell Mitchell, President of the NPPN and we had several frank and interesting discussions. Both the NPPN and the APWU took the position that it would be in the best interest of all of our members to merge pending a vote by the members of the NPPN. The leadership of the NPPN then followed their Constitution and By-laws and proceeded with a merger vote.

The vote is in. Idell and I are happy to report that the NPPN voted overwhelmingly for a merger with the American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO. As we discuss, the NPPN is unique. By following the APWU Constitution, the NPPN will become a local union known as the NPPN-APWU Local under the jurisdiction of the Support Services Division. As such, we are requesting that the American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO accept these nurses and union members as members of the APWU and complete the formal merger process.

The current Collective Bargaining Agreement between the NPPN and the USPS expired on August 17, 2007. The parties have scheduled negotiations for next month. We are busy compiling our contract proposals as we sit down and negotiate the successor Agreement for the NPPN-APWU. Please contact us with any questions or concerns.


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