Cuts Will Destroy Mail Service!

In January, the Postmaster General and USPS Board of Governors made devastating cuts in service to the American people – cuts so severe they will forever damage the U.S. Postal Service.

- On Jan. 5, the USPS lowered "service standards" to virtually eliminate overnight delivery including first-class mail from one address to another within the same city or town.
- All mail (medicine, online purchases, local newspapers, newsletters, bill payments, letters and invitations) throughout the country are being delayed.
- 82 mail sorting centers are scheduled to close starting April 1, 2015.

These policies reflect the same misguided thinking that's behind efforts to end Saturday and door-to-door deliveries, cut back post office hours, and make other reductions in mail service.

Degrading service hurts residents, small businesses and communities across the country – and it will eventually destroy the Postal Service itself by driving away mail. It also takes living-wage jobs out of our communities.

These cutbacks are unnecessary. The Postal Service, which doesn't use a dime of taxpayer money, is profitable. In fiscal year 2014, the USPS earned \$1.4 billion in operating profit, and its finances have been improving for years.

The red ink stems from Congress, which requires the Postal Service to pre-fund future retiree health



benefits – something no other public agency or private firm has to do. That costs the Postal Service \$5.6 billion a year – and that's the red ink.

You Can Stop This!

Lawmakers need to fix the problem they created – not force you to accept substandard service while destroying a national treasure that is based in the Constitution.

In 2014, 51 senators and 178 House members have called for a one-year moratorium on the reduction in service and the closure or consolidation of 82 mail processing centers – to allow Congress time to enact legislation that would improve, not degrade, postal service. There's not much time left for Congress to act.

Call your representative and senators at 1-877-662-2889 (the Capitol Hill switchboard) and tell them to support the moratorium and restore the service standards, so the U.S. Postal Service can continue to serve your community.

Stop Delaying America's Mail!

Postal workers and customers have an urgent message for the Postmaster General and the USPS Board of Governors: **Stop Delaying America's Mail!**



These cuts will frustrate customers, drive away business, lead to job losses, harm communities, and cause massive schedule changes and reassignments for employees.

The PMG and the Board have made devastating cuts in service to the American people – cuts so severe that they will forever damage the nation's mail system.

The four postal unions have joined forces to stop the

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onslaught. We have many allies in the fight, including members of Congress. In 2014, more than half the Senate and 178 U.S. Representatives have called for a moratorium on the reduction in service standards and the plant closures.

 All mail throughout the entire country is being delayed. This includes medicine, packages, local newspapers, church bulletins, bill payments, letters and invitations. Postal management routinely bemoans "billions of dollars in losses." In fact, in fiscal year 2014, the USPS earned \$1.4 billion in profit from operations. The "losses" are the result of the bogus pre-funding requirement and have nothing to do with the cost of collecting, sorting and delivering mail.

 The USPS plans to close or "consolidate" 82 P&DCs.

Tell the Postmaster General and the Board of Governors to stop using ginned up "losses" as a pretext for delaying America's mail. Join your coworkers, friends and allies to help send the message!

• Six-day delivery and door delivery are under constant threat.













Tell the Postmaster General and Board of Governors:

Stop Delaying America's Mail!

STOP THE NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACT TO OUR COMMUNITIES

The USPS has lowered service standards, eliminated overnight delivery, and is closing plants, starting April 1, 2015. Coupled with ongoing threats to six-day and door delivery, these actions are a direct assault on our jobs and on postal services. Are you ready to join the fight?

TAKE ACTION NOW!

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[For more information, call xxx-xxx-xxxx.]

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