

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

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Ms. Tammy Hull Inspector General, United States Postal Service USPS Office of Inspector General 1735 N. Lynn Street Arlington, VA 22209-2020

Dear Ms. Hull:

I respectfully request an investigation into the U.S. Postmaster General Louis DeJoy's realignment that is part of the "10-year plan" for the United States Postal Service (USPS).

I am concerned about the analysis conducted over an 8-week period that led to the "organizational realignment." The reorganization reshuffles reporting relationships and USPS geographic areas that has already impacted work conditions and service of our communities.

The USPS has a constitutional responsibility to provide a service to the public. Postmaster General DeJoy's 10-year plan appears to put the USPS on a fast-track towards privatization, job cuts, negatively impacted service operations, and a culture of general dysfunction at one of our country's bedrock institutions. I request you initiate an investigation into Mr. DeJoy's plan and to address the below questions:

- 1. How will the 10-year plan affect coordination among essential local and regional operations of the USPS?
- 2. How will moving to a region-led structure from a local-led structure affect local USPS jobs?
 - a. How will this affect reports of service performance and other essential performance metrics?
- 3. Are there any protections in place to prevent USPS employees from being faced with a choice of commuting hours to work at a regional office or leave their job entirely?
- 4. What, if any, input from local district employees and managers was considered when the decision was made by Mr. DeJoy?
- 5. Does this plan propose to limit existing or proposed new services overseen by USPS, such as postal banking, bill payment services, WiFi in parking lots, and public electric vehicle charging stations?

Just as I have a responsibility to advocate for my residents at the federal level, USPS has a responsibility to ensure the highest level of service is provided to the public. I have spoken with countless USPS employees and managers in my area, all of whom are highly concerned that the ten-year plan poses a serious risk to the fundamental capabilities of the USPS.

I appreciate your attention and investigation into this serious matter and look forward to your response.

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