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Mr. John Potter
Postmaster General
United States Postal Service
475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW
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Dear Mr. Potter:

This is to express my concerns over the October 4, 2007 instructions issued by the office of Manager David E. Williams on the subject of letter mail cancellations.

These instructions will increase bio-hazard exposure to employees, customers, facilities and the mail. The instructions represent a major change in the USPS policy which previously assured that all stamped mail would be processed on the AFCS and screened for possible exposure. These protections have now been qualified to be applied "within AFCS capacity and during peak cancellation periods".

This change poses great dangers to employees and the American public in that it is not possible to predict that future terrorist efforts will be coordinated to coincide with the limitations of the policy.

I request that this recent policy be abrogated and that the Postal Service continue to apply unqualified protections to the United States mail system.

Sincerely,

William Burrus
President

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