

August 12, 2022

Mr. Ivan Butts President National Association of Postal Supervisors 1727 King Street, Suite 400 Alexandria, VA 22314-2753

Dear Ivan,

This is a follow up to the June 23 notification wherein you were notified the Postal Service was conducting a pilot test entitled, F4 Back Office Pilot. This pilot test was designed to improve efficiency in our AM Function 4 operations with an emphasis on achieving earlier Distribution Up Times (DUTs).

The previous F4 Back Office pilot sites were successful, and the Postal Service has made the determination to implement this process flow for AM distribution.

The Postal Service is now in the second phase of onboarding an additional 107 sites and will provide the new sites with transitional support for the first 12 weeks of this process. The Postal Service plans to continue to onboard additional sites across the country to ensure the use of a uniform AM distribution process.

We have enclosed a copy of an updated Mandatory Stand Up Talk detailing the process and a listing of the 107 additional locations.

Please contact Bruce Nicholson at extension 7773 if you have questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

James Lloyd Director (A)

Labor Relations Policies and Programs

**Enclosures** 



## Stand-Up Talk: F4 Back Office Play

## **August 25, 2022**

The success of a delivery operation relies on an effective and efficient mail Distribution operation (F4). Distribution Up Time (DUT) occurs when all mail types; parcels, flats, and letters, are distributed to the carriers. To improve efficiency in our AM Distribution operations and achieve an earlier DUT based on earned workload, we continue with the implementation of the F4 Back Office Play in 107 additional USPS delivery units on August 27, 2022.

## What does this mean?

This process will use a daily management system of F4 back-office plays for each level of the organization, to streamline F4 distribution and improve DUT. These plays are focused on:

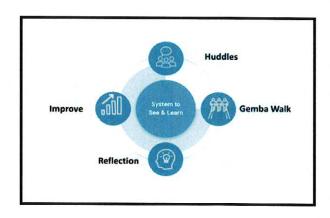
- Staffing and scheduling
- Floor layout
- Performance management
- Pre-planning for success
- Daily huddle
- Gemba walk
- Reflection
- Improvement

With package processing being our most labor-intensive operation and our growing business, we will concentrate on package sortation, setup, and working packages first.

Following the back-office play will ensure we maximize our mail processing window. Sales/Service Distribution Associates (SSDAs), who drive the 24-hour clock and provide on time mail processing, are the key to success.

The F4 Back Office Play will implement on August 27<sup>th</sup>. Progress will be measured beginning in week 3 after implementation date, through week 9.

## Thank You for all you do each day





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