



# November 6th Mark the Date



While we anxiously await the report from the White House Task Force on the Postal Service, the enormity of the upcoming midterm elections continues to expand. As many of you know, the task force report has been completed and provided to the President, but it has not been released to the public. It has been reported that it is the intent of the White House to keep it under wraps until after the November election. I suppose there is plenty of room for speculation regarding the White House's rationale for withholding its findings, but it doesn't fill me with optimism. As pointed out by NPMHU National President Paul Hogrogian, some insight to the WH report may lie in the predecessor document issued by the Office of Management and Budget regarding the entire federal sector. Brother Hogrogian observed "Buried deep in the Report is the President's plan to restructure the Postal Service into a "sustainable business model" and thereby "prepare it for future conversion . . . into a privately held corporation."

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Privatization has been the goal of many on Capitol Hill as well as their financial backers in the private sector for quite some time now and they may now have the right person in the White House to sell our jobs off to the highest bidder. The fact that they do not want their report released prior to the upcoming

mid-term election cycle would lead one to conclude that the voting public as well as the hard working men and women of the Postal Service "ain't gonna like it".

At the risk of sounding redundant, what we can do to protect the Service and our very own job is to elect those who are willing to represent all Americans and not just the donor class. We cannot do this unless we get out on November 6th.

There are many moving parts and levels to the Labor Movement Brothers and Sisters and engaging in the legislative process has become increasingly important. While we should never lose focus on the day to day efforts to protect the contractual rights we have forged over many decades of struggle, supporting the candidates that support our right to continue to collectively bargain and have the say in the workplace we deserve, is fundamental to our long-term survival.

Election Day is fast approaching Sisters and Brothers, and your vote means something, but only if you exercise it. So remember November 6th is your day to get to the polls and make your vote count!

*In Solidarity,  
John Gibson*

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