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Today we received word that the Lehigh Valley P&DC will be the subject of a Mail Processing Facility Review (MPFR) to try and rationalize pulling all outgoing mail processing out of the facility. We are being announced as a LPC under PMG DeJoy's ten year plan and this is one of the steps of them converting us into that. There will be meetings held with the Plant Manager next week and the reviews will take place, as well as a public meeting for the customers to speak their mind.

For anyone who attends Union meetings or speaks with me on a regular basis about something other than the Jets beating the Eagles, this is no surprise; in fact this was expected.

Right now, this does not impact anyone in the facility. Jobs will still be posted in November, the APBS is still being removed and replaced with the SIPS as scheduled, the plan to bring the Spider to the Plant is still intact, and the APPS is supposed to still be upgraded in January. Most importantly of all, there is no plan currently to excess any employees out of this building. That does not guarantee any future brainy ideas, but, I repeat, there are no current plans for an excessing event. The USPS has said that they will eliminate positions, if it is needed, through attrition.

The Local Union leadership held its monthly ZOOM meeting this morning and we were joined by National President Paul Hogrogian to address any concerns and questions. You can believe that anything that will be coming down the pike on this will be met head-on by your building, Local, and National reps in an effort to minimize any impact to our members and our building.

Local management also continues to say that there will be more volume coming, but until that materializes it is all just speculation and conjecture.

This does not mean our building is closing, it will mean that if they pull the parcels out of here there will be a lot of discomfort and inconvenience for people, but we will deal with those issues when they arise.

Read the bulletin boards, watch for messaging from the Union, attend the Branch Meetings, and stay updated. Like in most scenarios, do not buy into what you hear on the floor from people and ask me questions if you have them.

*Sean*