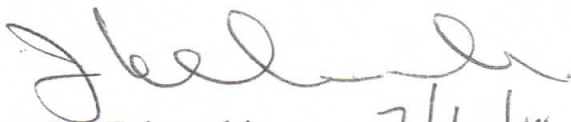




## Involuntary Reassignments



On Wednesday July 9, 2014 Tour 2 Chief Steward Garry Simmons, Jeannie Gladilina who handles the bids for the MHU, Local President John Gibson and myself met with the Postal Service to discuss the potential impact to the mail handler craft, specifically Tour -2 mail handlers. The preliminary sheet with the future assignments across all three (3) tours indicates a reduction of seventy six(76) mail handlers from Tour 2. Fifty eight(58) level 4's and eighteen(18) level 5's. Each area across Tour 2 faces some level of impact so those of you who remember when mail handlers were excessed from Tour 2 in 2009 are familiar with the term, expedited bidding. What this entails, is the senior mail handler in each level is identified and from that individual down they will select from the jobs that will remain on tour 2 **within that same level**. An example of this process is if employee John Smith is the senior level 5 impacted he will select from the remaining level 5 bids even if someone holds that bid, mail handler Smith can choose it. They then go to the next senior level 5 mail handler under Mr. Smith and he or she chooses a bid and so on until every level 4 and level 5 mail handler remaining on day work will hold a bid, subsequently the junior 58 level 4 mail handlers and 18 level 5 mail handlers are then moved to either tour 3 or tour 1. The preliminary information supplied by the Service is currently being scrutinized to ensure accuracy and to further ensure that impact is limited to the fullest extent possible. Some of the information supplied has already raised some red flags so these details need to be worked out and we have already contacted In-Plant support and Labor in an attempt to get a clarification. The bidding process will be a manual bid with bid sheets going out on, or around August 9, 2014. These bids would then go into effect on September 6, 2014. As always if you have any questions regarding this don't hesitate to contact any Union representative.

  
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