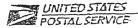
## ATTACHMENT A

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SUBJECT: Transition of Work from the Inspection Service to the Office of Inspector General

Planning has begun to transfer a portion of the work currently performed by the inspection Service (IS) to the Office of Inspector General (OIG). The two organizations have been working under a designation of functions crafted when the OIG was established in 1997. We have concluded that there is a need to revisit this agreement for the sake of organizational clarity and to assure that the statutory mandates for both organizations are being fulfilled. We are planning to move appropriate internal crimes work to the OIG to be consistent with Congressional intent. The inspection Service will focus its efforts on areas of responsibility which Congress has designated as within its exclusive jurisdiction.

The clarification of responsibility and transfer of work will occur over a period of one to two years. To facilitate the transfer, a transition team consisting of representatives of both the inspection Service and the Office of Inspector General is being established to manage this transfer. Steve Moe, a long-time postal executive who is familiar with the work of both organizations and also has an extensive management background in Human Resources and the Law Department, will lead this team.

During this transition, the OIG and the Inspection Service will take measures to assure quality by collaboration and transfer of knowledge. Every effort will be made to assure a seamless continuity of this important investigative work. You will be informed as plans are finalized for the transfer of work in each area and at headquarters.

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