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Re: **IMPORTANT**-----Security of the Orlando P&DC Installation

Mike:

This is another letter to you concerning the security and safety of the employees within the Orlando P&DC. Over the past several months the employees under my representation have had concerns regarding the turnstiles in the P&DC. I was informed that it was being taken care of and it would be completed by July of this year. Two days ago, I was told there was an intruder in your Plant. Once I heard that I sent you a letter and forwarded it to the Suncoast District Safety, as well as to the Maintenance Manager and Suncoast Manager of Human Relations. I received **ZERO** response from anyone in the management ranks, and I find that very distressing to say the least.

I have now been informed that there were two more unauthorized individuals that entered the facility last night! I had several employees notifying me as well as some employees that actually saw this happen. It was reported, but that is simply not good enough for the safety and welfare of the employees that I represent! I was under the impression that the turnstiles were fixed in July of this year until these issues surfaced. With the mandatory USPS Stand Up Talk on Safety the other night, especially in light of the recent suspicious package scares around the country, one would think that this faulty turnstile issue would be paramount on the minds of the USPS in the Orlando P&DC with regards to the safety of our employees.

This letter will be forwarded to the Manager of Human Relations, Manager of Labor Relations, as well as the Postal Inspectors within the facility. I am at a loss as to why this issue has not been properly addressed. The old cliché, “*Actions speak louder than words*” holds true in this scenario, and as such, I as well as the individuals under your employ, are looking to you to see what will be done to remedy this concern today.

I am quite sure there are things that you can do as a safeguard to protect the employees, such as but not limited to: having a supervisor stay by the entrance to make sure the people that come through the turnstiles have badges, or assign a craft employee to monitor the entrance, simply to name a couple of recommendations. I was also told that management stated that it is the employee’s responsibility to do some type of combination type of things to the turnstile. That is simply unacceptable. It is the responsibility of the USPS to provide a safe workplace, and that is simply what the employees want and deserve!



Please forward your response to myself, the Local Safety and Health Committee and its members, the A/Manager of Safety at the Suncoast District level, Al Wiggins, the Manager of Human Relations, Neftali (Nefty) Pluguez, Manager of Labor Relations, Rich Howard, A/Manager Labor Relations, Paul Fundenburg, and to the USP Postal Inspection Service.

Sincerely,



President

Cc: Al Wiggins, A/ Manager Suncoast District Safety
Stephen Dudas, Suncoast Safety Representative
Tom Downs, Maintenance Manager
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