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STATEMENT OF AZEEZALY S. JAFFER, VICE PRESIDENT,

PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS

RE: FLORIDA BALLOTS

Postal Service employees throughout Broward County recognize the importance of handling election materials quickly, accurately and professionally.

And that is exactly what they are doing.

The Postal Service continues to deliver all absentee ballots as they are received to voters across Broward County.

Allegations linking missing absentee ballots in Broward County, Florida to the Postal Service are groundless at best and, in fact, insulting to hard-working and dedicated postal employees throughout Florida. Thousands of these employees, despite their own personal hardships, demonstrated their commitment to those they serve by doing their best to keep their communities connected, despite the difficulties presented during the four recent hurricanes.

A thorough review of mail processing and delivery operations by the Postal Inspection Service and South Florida district postal officials has found no backlogs or systemic delays in the delivery of absentee ballots. Processing is current. Ballots that have been received have been delivered.

As a result of hurricane damage to many postal facilities, some offices have been providing Sunday mail delivery service since that time to keep mail current. Those offices will provide Sunday delivery this weekend, as well.

Local postal officials will continue to monitor the absentee ballot situation through the closing days of this year's election campaign to make sure that every ballot placed into the mail-stream — by County election officials to voters, and by voters back to the Broward County Board of Elections — continues to be promptly processed and delivered.

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