United States Senate

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Louis DeJoy Postmaster General United States Postal Service 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW Washington, D.C. 20260

Dear Mr. DeJoy:

I write to follow up on mail delays that are adversely affecting my constituents. In August, I contacted you regarding mail service issues in Rochester, Minnesota and I understand that the U.S. Postal Service provided certain flexibilities to Minnesota post offices to help address those delays. Recently, I have received reports of significant mail delivery issues from residents across Minnesota, particularly in the Duluth and Minneapolis-St. Paul areas.

Residents have reported that they have not received mail deliveries for as long as two weeks, and when deliveries do arrive they are often incomplete. These delays do not just mean residents have gone without holiday gifts, but that they are not receiving federal checks, business mail, medications, and paychecks that they rely on for their health and livelihoods.

I appreciate the hard work that Minnesota postal workers do to deliver mail, especially with increased mail volume during the holidays and in the face of winter storms and road closures. Staffing shortages have made their jobs more difficult, and these shortages continue to be a significant cause for mail delays in Minnesota.

Minnesotans depend on the United States Postal Service every day. I appreciate the continued work of Anthony Williams, the United States Postal Service District Manager for Minnesota and North Dakota, who I recently spoke with about these challenges. I urge you to do everything you can to assist Mr. Williams in his work to address these mail service issues.

Sincerely,

United States Senator