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District Organizational Changes, Closing of Competitive Areas, and Mail Processing Facilities Reduction Timeline RIF Avoidance and RIF Process

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3/9/09	Identify and select Transition Manager/Coordinator for each of the closing competitive areas—coordination of HR, Operations, Finance, IT activities.
3/9/09	Begin plans for transitioning of consolidated systems and workloads from closing competitive area to gaining competitive areas.
3/18/09	Meeting at HQ with Area HR Managers to discuss Organizational changes and policies.
3/20/09 12:00 PM (EST)	Announcement of District closings, District Customer Service Office administrative reductions, Mail Processing Facility reductions, and national VER offering. OCM Website updated: Hot Topics, At-a-Glance, Timeline, FAQs.
3/20/09	Begin Employee Notifications: Potentially Impacted Employees, Communications. Triggers salary protection policy.
3/20/09	Begin Employee informational sessions for all RIF-impacted employees.
3/20/09 to 8/28/09	Begin RIF Avoidance Period – Phase I, Phase II postings, residual postings and selections – Area HR coordinates LAC postings with HRSSC.
3/23/09	Begin transition of workload to gaining District(s).
3/31/09	Complete transition of workload to gaining District(s).
4/6 – 4/10/09	Annuity Estimates and VER offer mailings to VER eligible employees.
4/10/09	Organizational Effectiveness (OE) completes staffing changes.
4/13-6/26/09	HRSSC Service Center processing time-RTR validation of VER applications.
4/22/09	Phase I vacancy requisitions submitted NLT COB in eCareer system.
4/24/09	Last date for processing Form 50s – selections/reassignments as a result of selections from the last vacancy postings. Ensures accuracy of employee data in WebCOINS and TARIF in determining potential impacts.
4/28/09	PHASE I POSTINGS Phase I (Posting of available vacancies within LAC with potential RIF) ♣ All qualified employees (impacted and non impacted) within competitive area ♣ Use eCareer for profile development and application.
5/13/09	PHASE I POSTINGS CLOSED – HRSSC processes applications for submission to selecting officials.
5/14 - 5/21/09	Service Center Processing Time.
5/22-6/3/09	PHASE I SELECTIONS Review and selection of employees in Phase I - LAC postings.
5/26/09	Issue General RIF Notice.
6/3 - 6/20/09	Service Center processing Form 50s.
6/10/09	Phase II Vacancy Requisitions submitted NLT COB in eCareer system.

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6/16/09	 PHASE II POSTINGS Phase II: Posting of vacancies not previously filled in Phase I and District-wide vacancies in Plants and Post Offices. All impacted employees in District customer service admin office All impacted employees in closing Districts customer service admin office All impacted Mail Processing Facility employees All impacted Area office employees within District location All impacted employees in other facilities where reductions are occurring. Use eCareer for profile development and application.
6/19/09	Decision to Retire Irrevocable Date – VER 4.
6/24/09	Issue specific RIF notice.
6/26/09	HRSSC will begin to provide OCM names of employee accepting the VER. OCM will disseminate periodic lists to Area HR for distribution to District HR.
7/1/09	PHASE II POSTINGS CLOSED – HRSSC processes applications for submission to selecting officials.
7/2-7/13/09	Service Center processing time.
7/14-7/23/09	PHASE II SELECTIONS Review and selection of qualified employees in Phase II.
7/17/09	HRSSC completes RTR validation, processes VER retirement applications and provides list of applicants to OCM.
7/24-7/31/09	Service Center processing Form 50s.
7/30/09	Phase III Vacancy Requisitions submitted NLT COB in eCareer system.
7/31/09	VER effective date.
8/4/09	PHASE III POSTINGS Phase III: Posting of vacancies not previously filled in Phase II Area-wide. • All impacted employees Use eCareer for profile development and application.
8/11/09	PHASE III POSTINGS CLOSED – HRSSC processes applications for submission to selecting officials.
8/12-8/13/09	Service Center processing time.
8/14-8/21/09	PHASE III SELECTIONS Review and selection of qualified employees in Phase III.
8/22-8/28/09	Service Center processing Form 50s.
8/28/09	RIF effective date/implementation completed.
8/28/09	Organizational changes and consolidations completed.