

## **National Postal Mail Handlers Union**

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TO:

All Local Presidents

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FROM:

John F. Hegarty, National President

RE:

Stop Staples Campaign

Please be advised that the National Postal Mail Handlers Union is joining with the American Postal Workers Union (APWU) in fighting the Postal Service's decision to subcontract certain retail services at Staples office-supply stores.

The "Stop Staples" campaign, as it has been dubbed by the APWU, will initially be targeted at certain Staples stores. More information can be found on the APWU web site at: www.apwu.org and at www.stopstaples.com.

We are encouraging all of the Local Unions to participate in this battle against privatization. Please publicize this campaign within your Local, sign the Stop Staples petition on the Stop Staples web site, and encourage your members to do the same. If there is a rally or other action in your area, please participate if possible.

Working together, we can stop this ill-advised action by the Postal Service, and other programs like it.

Cc:

Mark A. Gardner, National Secretary-Treasurer

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