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TO : STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL)

STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND)

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RSA SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM

SUBJECT : U.S. Postal Service Randolph-Sheppard Initiative

The United States Postal Service (USPS) has initiated a project to increase the number of Randolph-Sheppard vending facilities on its property. A workgroup was established through the initiative of the USPS and the National Federation of the Blind (NFB) to develop and promote the project. Members of the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA), along with representatives from the National Council of State Agencies for the Blind (NCSAB) have participated on the Workgroup established to further this initiative.

A form has been developed entitled Major Facility Projects, Two-Year Projections (copy attached) to inform State agency staff of future opportunities for the establishment of vending facilities. The information supplied on this form will be sent to you periodically. The purpose is to help you in planning to respond to the future needs of the USPS for vending facility services as new construction and renovations occur.

Although some of the projects in the enclosed listing have not received final approval, the form provides pertinent information that should assist agency staff to make the necessary contacts and plans that will promote the establishment of new vending facilities on USPS property.

If you have questions or comments concerning the project, contact either Mr. George Arsnow, Chief, Vending Facility Branch, telephone number: (202) 205-9317 or Mr. Joe D. Cordova, Director, Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired, telephone number: (202) 205-9902.

INQUIRIES TO: RSA Regional Commissioners

/s/

Fredric K. Schroeder, Ph.D. Commissioner

Attachment