

*Letter from King, Grassley and Harkin faults USPS for failing to discuss alternatives to closure with the City of Sioux City*

Washington, DC - Congressman Steve King (R-IA) has issued the following statement challenging the announced decision of the United States Postal Service (USPS) to consolidate the Sioux City Processing and Distribution Facility with a USPS facility in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

"The Postal Service should suspend its decision to close the Sioux City Processing and Distribution Facility because it did not give the community a meaningful opportunity to discuss alternatives to closure with them," said King. "The Postal Service announced its decision to consolidate the Sioux City facility just eight days after partially releasing information that Sioux City needed to analyze in order to provide effective input into the decision process. This calls the basis of the Postal Service's claim that 'the community's input was valued and carefully considered' during the decision making process into question, and we have every right to be skeptical of the Postal Service's decision."

Congressman King's statement was made shortly after Congressman King, Senator Chuck Grassley (R-IA) and Senator Tom Harkin (D-IA) sent a letter to the Postmaster General of the United States requesting the USPS suspend their decision to close the Sioux City Processing and Distribution Facility. In addition to requesting the suspension of the closure decision, the letter also asks that Postal Service officials meet with the City of Sioux City to discuss possible alternatives to the closing of the Sioux City facility, and it requests that the USPS make a "new decision" that "takes full account of the Siouxland community's input."

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