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Postal News

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*Happy Spring!*

### XPO News

Come visit XPO at the Internet Retailer trade show in Chicago at Mc Cormick Convention Center on June 8<sup>th</sup> thru June 10<sup>th</sup>. **Internet Retailer Conference & Exhibition** is the nation's largest e-commerce show and XPO will be exhibiting at booth 146.

Happy 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to XPO!! Thank you loyal customers for making us a success!

### Industry News

#### **Update on 5 Day Delivery--New Website**

The U.S. Postal Service has launched a website on *usps.com* to provide information to all customers about its proposal to implement a five-day street delivery schedule. The Postal Service proposes to end regular Saturday mail delivery to street addresses as part of a comprehensive plan to ensure that it can continue to deliver affordable service to the American people. Post Offices will remain open on Saturdays.

The website, <http://www.usps.com/communications/five-daydelivery>, has a planning guide for businesses and household customers, and answers to frequently asked questions.

#### **Postal Service Sees \$611M February Net Loss.**

The financially struggling US Postal Service ran a net loss of \$611 million for February, and a net loss of \$1.5 billion for the first five months of its 2010 fiscal year, according to data provided by the Postal Regulatory Commission on Mar. 25. The USPS' total volume for last month was nearly 13 billion pieces. It has moved more than 72.6 billion pieces for the first five months of its fiscal year. The PRC released the data days before the USPS will present its official plan for moving to a five-day delivery schedule. The agency's board of governors approved the plan this week

#### **Chile Earthquake Update**

The postal administration of Chile has advised that delays in the delivery of mail may occur in central and southern Chile, specifically in Region 7 (Maule), Region 8 (Biobio) and Region 9 (Araucaria) as a result of the recent earthquake. The Chilean post is surveying the situation on the ground and will provide more detailed information as soon as possible.

#### **Haiti Earthquake Update**

The International Bureau has advised that it is monitoring the situation in Haiti very closely following the tragic earthquake which struck the country on January 12, 2010. Given the extent of the devastation, direct communication with Haiti remains very difficult. However, the International Bureau is doing all it can to establish contact with the postal authorities in the field. As and when information on the state of the postal network becomes available, particularly with regard to procedures to be followed for mail dispatches to and from Haiti, the International Bureau will advise the US Postal Service.

The US Postal Service announced on January 15, 2010 that it has placed a temporary hold on all mail destined for the nation of Haiti. This came in response to the cancellation of normal flight operations by air cargo contractors into and out of the island nation, where emergency relief efforts are continuing. Post Offices will continue to accept letter mail and packages addressed to the nation of Haiti. However, all mail addressed to Haiti will be temporarily held by the US Postal Service until air transport and ground infrastructure issues are resolved and the postal administration of Haiti is able to accept mail.

### Upcoming Industry Events



#### **Dallas PCC – Pre-Forum Reception**

April 8, 2010  
Location TBD

#### **Van Nuys PCC – RT Mixer**

April 14, 2010  
94<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron  
Van Nuys, CA

#### **Ft. Worth PCC – Luncheon**

April 22, 2010  
Botanical Garden  
Ft. Worth, TX

#### **BMA N. California – Meeting**

April 28, 2010  
Michael's @ Shoreline  
Mountain View, CA

#### **NPF 2010**

April 11-14, 2010  
Opryland Hotel  
Nashville, TN

#### **Bakersfield PCC - Meeting**

April 20, 2010  
USPS Post Office  
Bakersfield, CA

#### **IEPCC –Educational Meeting**

April 22, 2010  
San Bernardino P&DC  
Redlands, CA

#### **SAPCC – Seminar/Vendor Show**

May 20, 2010  
Doubletree Hotel  
Commerce, CA



## Upcoming Worldwide Holidays:

Please note this is meant as a general guideline, it would be impossible to list all holidays here. If you have a question regarding a specific area of the world or country please call our customer service department at 1-866-784-8444.

### April 2010

**Apr 1- Maundy Thursday**, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Finland, Mexico, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Spain, Uruguay, Venezuela. **Daylight Savings start**, Cuba, Iraq. **Islamic Republic Day**, Iran.

**Apr 2- Good Friday**, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Ecuador, Finland, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Kenya, Lebanon, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States, Uruguay, Venezuela. **Orthodox Good Friday**, Greece, Lebanon. **National Picnic Day**, Iran.

**Apr 3- Holy Saturday**, Australia, Brazil, Chile, France, Hong Kong, Panama, Spain.

**Apr 4- Daylight Savings start**, Mexico. **Daylight Savings end**, New Zealand. **Easter Sunday**, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Kenya, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Paraguay, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, United Kingdom, United States, Uruguay, Venezuela. **Orthodox Easter Sunday**, Egypt, Greece, Jordan, Lebanon, Russia, Syria, Ukraine.

**Apr 5- Orthodox Easter Monday**, Egypt, Greece, Lebanon, Ukraine. **Easter Monday**, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Hungary, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Kenya, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom. **Ching Ming**, China, Hong Kong, Taiwan. **Passover Last Day**, Israel. **Arbor Day**, Korea S.

**Apr 6- Chakri Day**, Thailand.

**Apr 9- Araw Ng Kagitingan**, Philippines.

**Apr 11- Battle of Rivas**, Costa Rica. **Yom Hashoah**, Israel.

**Apr 13- Songkran**, Thailand.

**Apr 14- Songkran 2nd Day**, Thailand.

**Apr 15- Songkran 3rd Day**, Thailand. **Day of the Sun/ Kim Il Sung's Birthday**, Korea N.

**Apr 17- Liberation Day**, Iraq. **Independence Day**, Syria.

**Apr 18- Yom Hazikaron**, Israel.

**Apr 19- Yom Ha-Atzmaut**, Israel. **Victory At Giron**, Cuba. **Landing of the 33 Patriots**, Uruguay. **Declaration of Independence**, Venezuela.

**Apr 21- Tiradentes Day**, Brazil.

**Apr 22- Earth Day**, United States.

**Apr 23- National Sovereignty and Children's Day**, Turkey. **St. George's Day**, UK.

**Apr 25- ANZAC Day**, Australia, New Zealand. **Sinai Day**, Egypt. **Liberation Day**, Italy, Portugal.

**Apr 27- Freedom Day**, South Africa.

**Apr 29- Daylight Savings start**, Egypt. **Midori-no-Hi**, Japan.

**Apr 30- Common Prayer Day**, Denmark. **Queen Juliana's Birthday**, Netherlands. **Liberation Day**, Vietnam