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Dear Colleagues,

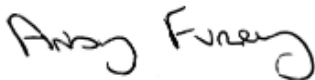
## ROYAL MAIL: DRUGS & ALCOHOL - FOR-CAUSE TESTING PILOT

Further to LTB 121/25 dated 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

Firstly, we wish to advise Branches that the extended Pilot across the South East, South Central and Northern Ireland ROD areas has been operating for over a month now, with no reported problems or indeed any For-Cause tests. In fact, since the original Pilot commenced in Wales on 13<sup>th</sup> January, there have been just two tests, both of which were in Anglia, and they were both negative.

We have now agreed with Royal Mail that a formal joint review of the Pilot from across the six ROD areas will take place week commencing 15<sup>th</sup> September. This timescale will allow for an informed discussion and accordingly the Pilot will remain in place until we agree next steps with Royal Mail. We will continue to monitor the progress of the Pilot and further developments will be reported.

Yours sincerely,



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