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**House of Representatives**  
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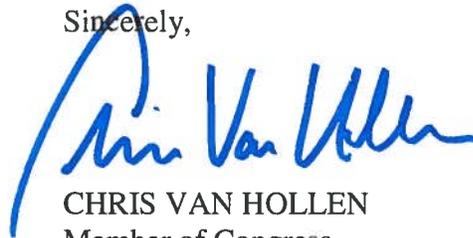
Dear Mr. Kintisch and Mr. Newbold,

I am writing to express my strong concern with reported plans to close distribution centers in Prince George's County, Maryland, and move those operations elsewhere, including to Pennsylvania. These centers support hundreds of jobs in the region, and the notice of closures under a short timeline has brought great uncertainty to those workers, many of whom are operating under a contract that lasts for several more months.

As you may know, the facility in Upper Marlboro was built with the assistance of funds from Maryland taxpayers and union members took concessions with the understanding that these jobs would remain in the state. Given that, this current rush to abandon operations there is deeply disturbing.

The commitment of the employees has contributed to the company's success. I urge you to work with them to explore alternatives and find a way to keep these good-paying jobs in Maryland.

Sincerely,



CHRIS VAN HOLLEN  
Member of Congress