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Final Report Regarding the Missing Ballots for November 5, 2024 General Election

After receiving USPS's final report back in March stating that ". . . *we are unable to determine if or when the mail pieces were in possession of the Postal Service"* I was not satisfied. I contacted the office of Representative Michael Baumgartner and asked for help.

After his contacts at the Office of the Inspector General researched this issue, I received the following response from Representative Baumgartner's office:

The OIG previously reviewed the allegations and actions by Postal Service management officials and did not identify any wrongdoing. Our investigation is closed.

On October 22, 2024, during a daily election mail call with USPS, Whitman County auditor Sandy Jamison reported that voters were missing ballots.

USPS undertook extensive efforts to locate missing ballots and determine the cause. USPS management sent out a field-wide message to be on the lookout for the alleged missing ballots. No "missing" ballots were located during the district wide search.

I continue to maintain that all of the Whitman County ballots were delivered to the Spokane plant in a timely manner and that they went missing after they left our care. I wish I had a definitive answer as to the whereabouts of these missing ballots, but unfortunately, I do not. I escalated this matter as far as I could and remain frustrated by the outcome.

It has always been my goal to provide quality service and smooth, fair and transparent elections for my constituents. I remain dedicated to that task and will now work even more diligently with the USPS going forward.

Respectfully Serving Whitman County,

