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Suspicious Mail Found to Be Non-Hazardous Following Investigation

MADISON – A suspicious mail piece addressed to the Wisconsin Elections Commission was received by the agency on Wednesday afternoon and after a thorough examination, the mail piece was deemed not dangerous.

Shortly before 3:00 p.m. on October 14, 2026, a WEC staff member identified an incoming mail piece that appeared to match suspicious mail received in other states containing an unidentified powdery substance. The prompt actions of WEC staff, who carefully followed procedures and training, ensured the mail piece was not opened and that appropriate authorities were immediately alerted.

Field testing subsequently confirmed that there was no hazardous material detected. There were no injuries or health impacts reported. The FBI and other agencies are investigating the matter further.

Meagan Wolfe, the state's chief election official and Administrator of the WEC, said this incident will have no impact on election officials' ability to administer the November 3 General Election.

"Let this be very clear: this incident will not shake us," Wolfe said. "Election officials are fully prepared to handle many challenges, and this will have no impact on our unwavering commitment to deliver a safe and secure election."

Wolfe added, "Violence and intimidation have no place in our democracy, and those performing civic duties must never fear for their safety."

After reports of similar incidents in other states, WEC staff republished a memo to municipal and county clerks early Wednesday outlining safe mail handling procedures.

"We take these matters very seriously and state and local election officials routinely train and prepare for a wide variety of potential incidents with robust contingency plans in place," said Wolfe.

There is no additional information to share at this time.

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