

# SPECIAL REWARD

## up to \$100,000

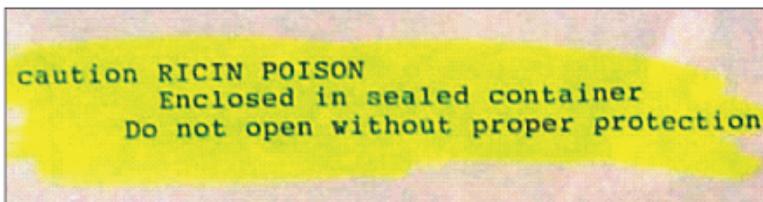
A reward of up to \$100,000 is being offered by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and U.S. Department of Transportation-Office of Inspector General for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible for placing a vial of the poison ricin in the Greenville, SC, Post Office. The vial pictured below was accompanied by a threatening letter addressed to the U.S. Department of Transportation and was discovered at the Greenville Post Office on October 15, 2003.

The author(s) of this typed letter claimed to be a fleet owner of a tanker company and demanded that laws regarding hours of service regulations remain unchanged. On January 4, 2004, significant new federal regulations went into effect mandating more rest and orienting drivers toward a 24-hour work/rest cycle. Inside the envelope was a small, metal vial that contained ricin.

*Metal vial:*



*Typewritten on the exterior of the envelope was the following warning:*



*The following is a representation of the language contained in the threat letter.*

to the department of transportation: I'm a fleet owner of a tanker company.

I have easy access to castor pulp. If my demand is dismissed I'm capable of making Ricin.

My demand is simple, January 4 2004 starts the new hours of service for trucks which include a ridiculous ten hours in the sleeper berth. Keep at eight or I will start dumping.

You have been warned this is the only letter that will be sent by me.

**Fallen Angel**

Public health information regarding ricin can be found at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site ([www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov))



**Anyone with information should call 1-866-839-6241**

A reward payment will be made in accordance with the conditions of U.S. Postal Service Reward Poster 296, *Notice of Reward*, dated February 2000.