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Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review
330 Sparks Street (HCCR)
Ottawa, Ontario
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RE: Review of Public Post Office

Dear Sir/Madam:

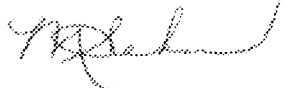
It is the understanding of the Council for the Village of Fox Valley that the federal government is conducting a very quick and potentially damaging review of our public post office.

Fox Valley is located in a very remote rural area of SW Saskatchewan. We rely heavily on our local post office to meet all our postal needs. Deregulating our public post office by reducing or removing Canada's Post exclusive privilege on letters would no doubt result in the closure of many post offices, less service, lost jobs, and higher postal rates. If the post office was to remain, it will become increasingly difficult for our public post office to provide universal postal service if the government erodes or eliminates the very mechanism that funds universal postal service-the exclusive privilege.

The federal government has decided not to hold public hearings in connection with its review. The decision to forgo hearings and adhere to a tight time frame appears to be designed to limit input from the real owners of our post office -- the public. Any review of our public post office should include public hearings. The government should not make any decisions until it has properly consulted with the public. The government should also extend the deadline for submissions.

Therefore, the council for the Village of Fox Valley is hereby strongly opposing deregulation of Canada Post and insisting that the government hold public hearings and properly consult with the true owners of Canada Post -- the public.

Yours truly,



Michelle Sehn,
Administrator

Cc: Canadian Union of Postal Workers