



# TOWN OF LADYSMITH

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Our File: 0430-20

Canada Post Corporate Strategic Review  
330 Sparks Street (HCCR)  
Ottawa, ON  
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To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review

The Town of Ladysmith is in receipt of correspondence from the Canadian Union of Postal Workers regarding the above referenced matter, which was considered during our regular meeting of Council on Tuesday, August 5, 2008.

Please be advised that Council is very concerned about the potential deregulation of the universal postal system and the consequential impacts on small and rural communities.

Ladysmith is a mid-sized community on the south coast of Vancouver Island. While our community is not considered 'remote', we do rely on the services of Canada Post for our mail delivery. We are therefore very concerned that reducing or eliminating Canada Post's exclusive privilege to handle addressed letters could result in the closure of public post offices in several small communities throughout our vast country.

We strongly urge you to consider the concerns of Canadian communities throughout your strategic review and we call on you to improve your decision making process by engaging the public in consultative hearings immediately. No one else has a greater stake in the future of the postal system than its owners - the Canadian public.

Respectfully,

Robert Hutchins  
Mayor

cc Canadian Union of Postal Workers