



## *Rural Municipality of Miniota*

*Tina Collier – Chief Administrative Officer*

*William Clark - Reeve*

August 7, 2008

Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review  
330 Sparks Street (HCCR)  
Ottawa, Ontario  
K1A 0N5

Dear Sirs:

**RE: Submission to save Universal Public Postal Service**

Attached is a copy of a resolution passed by the Rural Municipality of Miniota Council at their July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008 meeting. This Council is opposed to the deregulation of Canada Post and urges the government to hold public hearings and consult with the public. Deregulation in other countries has not proven to be a good thing, causing higher postage rates, less jobs and less service. There is great concern that this will lead to closures of rural post offices. We need to keep our post offices open, as we rely on Canada Post to handle our letters, parcels and newspapers. It will be difficult for Canada Post to improve public postal service if the government erodes or eliminates the mechanism that funds this service which is their exclusive privilege to handle letters. We urge you to listen to the true owners of Canada Post – the public, that wants to maintain reasonable and fair postage rates and keep our post offices open.

Sincerely,  
**R.M. of Miniota**

Tina Collier CMMA CGA  
Chief Administrative Officer



# RESOLUTION FORM

## *RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MINIOTA*

Moved by Councillor: Cole

Meeting of July 8 2008

Seconded by Councillor: Still

Agenda Item No. C6

Resolution No. 5

WHEREAS the Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review, which was launched by the federal government on April 21, 2008, is looking at deregulating our public post office (i.e. reducing or removing Canada Post's exclusive privilege on letters)

WHEREAS it will become increasingly difficult for our public post office to provide affordable service to everyone, no matter where they live, if the government erodes or eliminates the very mechanism that funds universal postal service – the exclusive privilege.

WHEREAS postal deregulation in other countries has led to post office closures, less service, fewer jobs and higher postal rates for the public and small businesses.

WHEREAS the government is not holding public hearings as part of its strategic review or adequately consulting with the real owners of the post office – the public.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rural Municipality of Miniota send a letter or submission to the Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review 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.

***MOTION CARRIED***

**WILLIAM CLARK, CHAIRMAN**

CERTIFIED this is a true copy  
of the original resolution passed by  
Council of the Rural Municipality  
of Miniota assembled the 8th day  
of July 2008

  
Tina Collier, CGA CMMA  
Chief Administrator Officer