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July 29, 2008

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

We understand that the Federal Government is conducting a review of our Public Post Office called the Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review. We understand that the Federal Government has decided not to hold public hearings in connection with this review. We feel that this is wrong and any review of our public post office should include the public hearing process so that the views of the public and public interest groups are considered. We enclose a resolution, relative to this matter, which was passed at a meeting of Council held recently.

We understand that the above noted review will result in the deregulation of Canada Post. We also understand that deregulation in other countries has led to post office closures, less service, fewer jobs and higher postal rates. We feel that there is no good reason to change the mechanism that funds universal postal service. We currently have one of the lowest standard postal rates in the industrial world. Our postal services are universal and affordable. Our post office is not broken. It does not need to be fixed, only improved.

We reiterate that any review of our post office should include public hearings and request that the deadline for submission, currently being received, should be extended beyond September 2, 2008.

Sincerely yours,

David H. Burton  
Town Clerk/Manager

DHB:jmh  
Encl.

## CANADA POST CORPORATION STRATEGIC REVIEW

**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** *TOWN OF WILLINGBROOK* 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 .

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