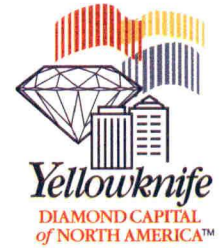




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CPCSR – City of Yellowknife Submission

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to make this submission to the CPCSR regarding the future of Canada's postal service. Our comments relate specifically to the question of whether or not Canada Post Corporation should or should not continue to have an exclusive privilege to handle letters in Canada.

First off, the City of Yellowknife is concerned that an issue of this magnitude has not been and will not be the subject of public hearings throughout Canada, particularly in those areas that would be most affected by deregulation – isolated northern communities and other rural areas. This issue affects all Canadians universally and every opportunity should be granted for frank and open discussion of all aspects of the CPCSR.

The current policy of regulated mail delivery through the Canada Post Corporation ensures that all Canadians benefit from the same level of service at the same cost. This is a fundamentally principal of universality that would be threatened by a move to deregulate mail delivery and open up the market to greater competition.

Canada Post Corporation's service to northern and rural communities is a critical service that should be maintained at its current levels and its current cost. Canadians who live in these areas rely on Canada Post not only for delivery of letters, post cards, greeting cards and other personal mail, but also rely on Canada Post for delivery of important goods not generally available in their small communities. This aspect of Canada Post Corporation's service delivery should not be overlooked as the CPCSR considers the option to remove the Corporation's exclusive privilege.

The City of Yellowknife requests that the CPCSR not consider the deregulation of the postal service and that CPCSR recommend the continuation of Canada Post Corporation's exclusive privilege to handle letters in order to ensure that it has sufficient revenues to provide universal and affordable postal service to all Canadians.

Sincerely

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