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To: Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review
Subject: Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review
From: Town of Cormack

Review Committee:

The Town of Cormack welcomes this opportunity to make a submission to the Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review (CPCSR).

The Town of Cormack is a Municipality duly incorporated and existing under the provisions of the Municipalities Act 1999 in the Province of Newfoundland Labrador, Canada.

We are writing because we are very concerned about the future of universal, public postal service in Canada.

Members of the Town Council of Cormack are also members of the public with a real stake in our public post office. We are concerned, from this perspective, that the government is not holding public hearings as part of its review of Canada Post. Any review of our public post office should include public hearings. The government should not make any decisions about our public post office until it has properly consulted with the public. The government should also extend the deadline for submissions to allow ample time for input from the public. When changes to a public service such as Canada Post are being considered there absolutely should be public discussion on all levels to guard against possible negative implications. A Public Hearing would reassure those of us who depend on the reliability of postal delivery that the best interests of the public is priority. Elimination or erosion of 'exclusive privilege' with postal deregulation is not the best way to proceed, and would not result in a better postal service for Canadians. On the other hand Public Hearing with true and meaningful input, given sufficient consideration would likely result in some truly meaningful improvements.

Thank you for considering our submission.

Yours truly,

Warwick Hewitt
Mayor

cc CUPW, Deer Lake, NL