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Canada Post Corp. Strategic Review
330 Sparks St.
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Dear Sir or Madame,

At their regular meeting on Tues. July 15th, 2008 the Council for the Village of Cowley passed the following resolution:

Whereas the Canada Post Corp. 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 Village of Cowley 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.

As mentioned in the above resolution we are adamantly opposed to deregulation of Canada Post services. Our experiences with deregulation in Alberta have resulted in extreme confusion, less timely service and considerable expense to the Canadian public.

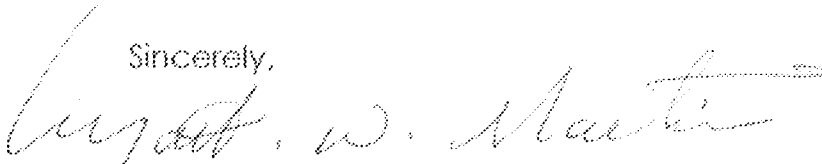
As members and management of this small municipality we use the local Canada Post Office exclusively for our postal needs, and are very supportive, protective and appreciative to have it at our service. We and

the resident members of our community and surrounding rural area would be extremely unhappy to have this service disrupted in **any** way.

Canada Post has in many ways been the backbone of our great country. It is shameful to think that it's management would consider making significant changes to it's service without first making every effort to inform and consult with the Canadian Public.

We would appreciate a timely reply regarding the reasons behind this proposal and where is will go from here.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wyatt W. Martin". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Mayor Wyatt Martin
Village of Cowley

cc. Prime Minister Stephen Harper
M.P. Ted Menzies
Canadian Union of Postal Workers