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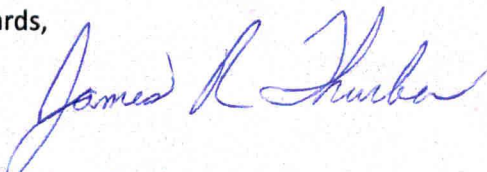
To Review Panel:

At the July 14, 2008 Committee of the Whole there was unanimous decision by The Municipality of the District of Digby Council to express concern with the lack of consultation offered to the general public within your process. As a governing body we continually see the long term benefits in seeking public input to make decisions. It is a fundamental right for the general public to not only be able to comment but also be informed of changes that could affect their way of life.

The rural post offices in our municipality serve an important part of defining the community and providing services that are not available from private sector mail providers. In several cases the rural post offices are the only institutions available within our dynamic villages. We also feel strongly that by deregulating the letter market you will be eliminating ways to fund services within Canada Post. This will eventually make it difficult to improve rural services.

Could you provide responses to our concerns of less rural service, higher rates, fewer jobs and the lack of a more open consultation process.

Regards,



Jim Thurber, Warden

c.c. Denis Lemelin