

## Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine

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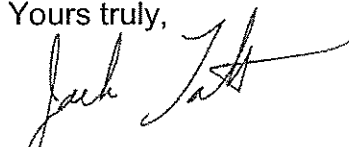
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Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review  
330 Sparks Street (HCCR)  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N5

The Regional District Board is concerned about the possible deregulation of Canada Post. The Regional District is also concerned with any measures that would reduce postal service levels or substantially increase costs, especially in rural Canada. The Regional Board can appreciate the need to achieve financial objectives for this service tempered with the need to fulfil public interest objectives. However, universal public postal service is a service worth protecting and maintaining for the benefit of the general Canadian public. The mechanism that funds this service – exclusive privilege – should not be eroded or put in jeopardy. It is not worth the risk.

The Regional Board is also concerned the Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review is occurring without public hearings and insists that the government hold public hearings and properly consult the public prior to making any actual decisions about the future of Canada Post.

Yours truly,



Jack Talstra  
Chair

cc Honourable Lawrence Cannon, Minister Responsible for Canada Post  
Nathan Cullen, MP Skeena Bulkley Valley  
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