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Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review
330 Sparks Street (HCCR)
Ottawa, Ontario
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Dear: Canada Post Strategic Review Committee

Submission to Save Universal, Public Postal Service

On July 3, 2008 Leduc County Council, unanimously approved the following resolution relating to the preservation and improvement of the universal public postal system:

- WHEREAS the Canada Post Corporation 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); and
- 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; and
- 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; and
- 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;
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Leduc County 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.

Leduc County utilizes the postal system as a primary source to deliver letters and business documents to its ratepayers, fellow municipalities, business corporations/companies, etc. Leduc County Council is concerned that by allowing deregulation it may raise prices, reduce service, destroy jobs, hurt the environment and reduce the security and privacy of the mail.

Yours truly,

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County Manager

cc: Leon Benoit, MP Vegreville-Wainwright Constituency
James Rajotte, MP Edmonton-Leduc Constituency
Mike Lake, MP Edmonton-Mill Woods-Beaumont Constituency
Blaine Calkins, MP Wetaskiwin Constituency
Denis Lemelin, President, Canadian Union of Postal Workers

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