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

Dear Sir/ Madam
De- Regulation

On behalf of Riverview Seniors Citizen Club I write to demand that our public post office not be deregulated and that Canada Post maintain its exclusive privilege to handle addressed letters.

As mail users, and seniors we are concerned by deregulation. Deregulation elsewhere has not proven to be a good thing for the public. We are also very concerned that the review of our public post office does not include public hearings. We believe that the government should not make any decisions about our public post office until it has properly consulted with the public.

Canada currently has one of the lowest standard postage rates in the industrial world, and our postal services are universal and affordable. This is something to celebrate, not de-regulate, and dismantle.

If the government decides to deregulate our post office by reducing or eliminating the exclusive privilege, it will have to dramatically reduce service or find another way of funding universal service. Of course, government subsidies are highly unlikely in this day and age. Seniors will be dramatically affected.

We believe deregulation would lead to a downward spiral for Canada Post, as private sector competitor's focus on profitable areas and services, leaving the unprofitable parts to our public post office.

We look forward to your earliest response to our communication.

Sincerely



Leo Cassista
President