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TOWN OF FARO

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Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review
330 Sparks Street (HCCR)
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August 8th, 2008

Re: Submission to save universal public postal service

The Town of Faro in open meeting assembled July 15th, 2008 resolved that a letter be sent opposing deregulation of Canada Post. We insist that the government hold public hearings and consult with the public on this important issue.

We live in a northern, remote area of Canada. We wish to ensure that service is continued in our community. This can only happen if the postal service remains a publicly-owned enterprise, responsible to the public and Parliament. Living through many boom and bust cycles in a single industry resourced-based community, we have experienced what happens when a company decides that it may not be economically viable for them to continue on with a business. It is imperative for the stability and future economic growth of rural and remote communities, from across the nation, to keep postal service regulated by the government.

Canada Post is an integral part of small communities. No private sector mail provider services our community. If the government eliminates the mechanism that funds this service, it may follow that rural communities will end up with no service at all. In Faro we rely on the postal service to bring in goods from the closest large community, a four hour drive away.

Sincerely,

Michelle Vainio, Mayor
Town of Faro

Cc: Council, Town of Faro
Canada Post, Faro
Canadian Union of Postal Workers