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August 18th, 2008

Leon Benoit,  
Member of Parliament  
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Dear Mr. Benoit:

**Re: Deregulation of Public Postal Service in Canada**

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The Willingdon Village Council would like to offer our letter of support to save universal, public postal service. Postal service is an integral part of the rural community's sustainability. If our residents are required to drive to a larger centre for their mail, it is common knowledge that they usually do all of their business in one location for their convenience. The impact of Deregulation or losing Postal service in our community would be devastating to our economic future as we are a very small community and every aspect of business is important to our Village's survival.

The Council of the Village of Willingdon insists that the government hold public hearings and properly consult the public regarding the "Deregulation of Public Postal Service" in our Communities of rural Canada.

Yours truly,



Bill Albers  
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