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The Hon. Lawrence Cannon  
Minister Responsible for Canada Post  
Tower C – 330 Sparks St.  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N5

Dear Minister Cannon:

**Re: Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review Process-Consideration of De-Regulation**

Recently, our Municipality received correspondence from the Canadian Union of Postal Workers advising that the Federal Government is currently undertaking a Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review with de-regulation being an item of discussion.

As you may be aware, the Municipality of the County of Annapolis is a rural municipal unit located in the southwestern part of Nova Scotia, whose residents rely heavily on receiving rural delivery service with the assured expectation that the Federal Government will provide security and confidentially protocols for the protection of personal mail.

Accordingly, our **Municipal Council passed a motion to formerly go on record as being diametrically opposed to Canada Post being de-regulated**, resulting in a private sector company being authorized to administer the national postal service. In the past our Municipality has expressed concern about the lack of appropriate public consultation when rural postal offices are closed and the potential negative impact to local residents. With respect to the current Canada Post Corporation Strategic Review, our Municipality was not made aware by Canada Post that the review was taking place or that de-regulation was one of the items being considered.

Minister Cannon, we respectfully submit our concern that de-regulation of Canada Post not be accepted as an option for our national postal service and that a defined public consultation process be incorporated for future review of changes to any postal services, with the local residents having appropriate access to being informed and having input before decisions are finalized.

A response to our submission at your earliest convenience would be most appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

  
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