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BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268

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In the Matter of:

Hacker Valley WV 26222
Post Office State ZIP Code

POSTAL REGULATORY
COMMISSION
Docket No: A2009-1
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Derek Lake , Petitioner(s)

PARTICIPANT STATEMENT

1. Petitioner(s) are appealing the Postal Service's Final Determination concerning the Hacker Valley post office. The Final Determination was posted _____ (date)

2. In accordance with applicable law, 39 U.S.C. § 404(b)(5), the Petitioner(s) request the Postal Regulatory Commission to review the Postal Service's determination on the basis of the record before the Postal Service in the making of the determination.

3. Petitioners: Please set out below the reasons why you believe the Postal Service's Final Determination should be reversed and returned to the Postal Service for further consideration. (See pages of the Instructions for an outline of the kinds of reasons the law requires us to consider.) Please be as specific as possible. Please continue on additional paper if you need more space and attach the additional page(s) to this form.

Please grant us a waiver to the requirement that this document be filed electronically as we are not on the Internet and the closest library is about 20 miles away.

I live in a very rural community about 10 miles from the former Hacker Valley Post Office. The suspension of that post office means that we are now 20 to 25 miles from a Post Office. This creates a problem for all of the residents in our community (the Replete area), particularly our senior citizens. I have a grandmother living nearby who is well along in her 80s.

I am thankful that Retha Casto of Hacker Valley, WV submitted a complaint. I agree whole heartedly with her and respectfully ask you to keep the matter on the Docket and help us to reopen the Post Office.

I thank the Commission and ask you to help us reopen the post office.