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496 Delaware Ave
Albany NY 12209

Postal Regulatory Commission
Office of the Chief Admin. Officer

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Shoshanna Grove, Sec. of the Commission
Postal Regulatory Commission
901 New York Ave. NW
Washington DC 20268-0001

Re: Appeal of closure of Delaware Station, Albany NY 12209
Dear Ms Grove:

Please accept this letter as a petition for review of the U. S. Postal Service's decision to close the Delaware Station post office, located at 332 Delaware Avenue, Albany, NY 12209

This appeal is being made by Eleanor Laing. I use the Delaware Station post office for buying stamps, sending packages to my children in New Mexico, and certified mail.

The respondent in this appeal is the United States Postal Service.

The determination that I am appealing is stated in the Sept. 22, 2010 letter from Edward F. Phelan, Jr. District Mgr, U. S. Postal Service, a copy of which is attached to this petition

As an 80 year old, senior citizen, without a car, this closure will be a hardship, as it will for many seniors living in this area. My community mailings of approx. 400 will have to be discontinued, as well as some of my personal correspondence.

Yours truly,

Eleanor B. Laing

Enclosure: 1

DISTRICT MANAGER
ALBANY DISTRICT



September 22, 2010

Postal Customer
Albany NY 12209

This is to inform you of the U.S. Postal Service's decision to close the Delaware Station located at 332 Delaware Avenue in Albany NY. We advised you on October 19, 2009 of our intent to conduct a feasibility study and the final decision has been made. This office will be open and operational until December 31, 2010.

Because of the drastic decline in mail volume, the Postal Service is in a fiscal crisis and must take action to reduce the size of its retail and delivery network. By consolidating, streamlining and adjusting our operations, the Postal Service becomes a more efficient and effective organization.

I want to assure you that the community's input was received and carefully considered before making this decision. Ultimately, based on all of the factors involved, the decision was made to proceed with the closure.

Local mail delivery will not be affected by this move. Full retail services will still be available in neighboring offices and our customers will continue to receive the same excellent service they always have.

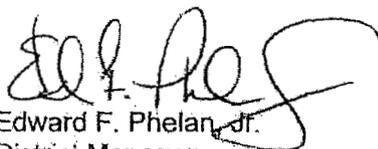
The Post Offices, stations or branches nearest to your residence are located at:

- Academy Station, 563 New Scotland Ave., Albany NY 12208
- Delmar Post Office, 357 Delaware Ave., Delmar NY 12054
- Albany Main Post Office, 45 Hudson Ave., Albany NY 12207

A trip to the Post Office can be skipped altogether and you can purchase stamps and shipping labels online using the Postal Service's website, usps.com. You can also request free package pickup at usps.com. The Postal Service will pick up packages during regular mail delivery the next business day – and, unlike other shipping companies, there is no fee for this service. Postage stamps can also be purchased at 1-800-STAMP-24, thousands of banking ATMs and in more than 55,000 retail outlets across the nation.

If you have questions, or need additional information, please contact David H. Desrosiers, Manager, Consumer Affairs at (518) 452-2406 or david.h.desrosiers@usps.gov.

Sincerely,



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