

BOARD OF
Madison Township Trustees

P.O. BOX 2206, MANSFIELD, OHIO 44905

February 3, 2011

TO: The Postal Regulatory Commission
FROM: The Board of Madison Township Trustees

ATTN: Chairman Ruth Y. Goldway

Chairman Goldway:

Please accept this appeal of a decision by the United States Postal Service to close the Lincoln Branch Post Office located at 989 Ashland Road in Madison Township, Richland County, Ohio, with Mansfield as the county seat, and the Main Post Office is located in that city.

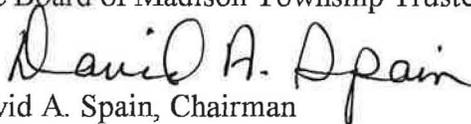
The Lincoln Branch is being closed by the Postal Service as a part of the Stations and Branches Optimization and Consolidation Initiative (the Initiative). We have received two letters informing us about the decision to close the Lincoln Branch, but neither one of them contained any information regarding our ability to appeal the decision. We were advised this afternoon of our right to appeal.

We certainly realize, and acknowledge, that your Commission is under no obligation to accept this appeal notice, nor are you under any obligation to consider it timely filed. However, we are asking for consideration due to the fact that the Postal Service, we presume inadvertently, forgot/failed to advise us of the appeal process. Based on that fact, we are asking your Commission to waive the formal requirements for filing the appeal.

In conclusion, we thank you for your time, await your reply, and hope it will contain a PRC Form 61, a form for us, the appellant, to make a concise statement of our appeal argument.

Respectfully,

The Board of Madison Township Trustees



David A. Spain, Chairman
817 Expressview Drive
Mansfield, OH 44905
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EXHIBIT "A"

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December 13, 2010

Customer at: Mansfield – Lincoln Branch
989 Ashland Road
Mansfield, Ohio 44905

NOTE: FAXED TO 9999
MADISON TOWNSHIP
ON SOME DATE AFTER
DECEMBER 13, 2010.

This is to inform you of the U.S. Postal Service's decision to close the Mansfield – Lincoln Branch located at 989 Ashland Road, in Mansfield, Ohio 44905. We advised you on July 10, 2009 of our intent to conduct a review of our retail network. It has been determined that operations at the Mansfield – Lincoln Branch will cease at the close of business, February 11, 2011. Post Office Boxes currently located in the Mansfield – Lincoln Branch will be relocated to the Mansfield – Main Branch. The Mansfield – Main Branch is located at 200 N. Diamond Street, Mansfield, Ohio 44901.

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 improves its efficiency and viability.

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 the Mansfield – Lincoln Branch are located at:

- Mansfield Main Branch 200 N. Diamond Street, Mansfield, Ohio 44901
- Ontario Branch 3656 Park Ave. W, Ontario, Ohio 44862
- Sherman Branch 1343 Park Ave W., Mansfield, Ohio 44906

However, 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 Victor Dubina, Communications Programs Specialist, at (216) 443-4596.

Sincerely,

Todd Hawkins
District Manager

EXHIBIT "B"

NOTE: POSTED AT
THE LINCOLN BRANCH ON
SOME DATE AFTER
DECEMBER 13, 2010. NO
IDEA HOW IT GOT TO THE
MADISON TOWNSHIP OFFICE

Northern Ohio District



December 13, 2010

PO Box Customer at: Mansfield – Lincoln Branch
989 Ashland Road
Mansfield, Ohio 44905

This is to inform you of the U.S. Postal Service's decision to re-locate the Mansfield – Lincoln Branch Post Office Box Unit located at 989 Ashland Road, Mansfield, Ohio 44905. It has been determined that operations at the Mansfield – Lincoln Branch will cease at the close of business, February 11, 2011. Post Office Boxes currently located in the Mansfield – Lincoln Branch will be re-located to the Mansfield – Main Branch. The Mansfield – Main Branch is located at 200 N. Diamond Street, Mansfield, Ohio 44901.

The lobby hours of the Mansfield – Main Branch are:

Monday – Sunday 24 Hours

The Post Office Box mail will be available by 9:00 am daily.

Current post office box customers will not need to make an address change. If you decide to cancel your post office box a prorated refund will be based upon the time left on your rental. Post Office Box Customer should see a Sales & Service Associate at the Mansfield – Main Branch to receive their new Post Office Box keys, and return their old Post Office Box keys on or after February 12, 2011.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Todd Hawkins".

Todd Hawkins
District Manager