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Attn: Secretary Postal Regulatory Commission

This is an appeal to the closing of the Latham, MO Post Office. Please consider our concerns for our business and this community. First of all we take the mail over to the Latham Post Office thru out the day of our business hours to get it out the same day. If we go to a route, we will be unable to get the mail out the same day. Also we send out certified, registered, delivery confirmation, signature confirmation mail. You say to have money available for this. We will not know how much to have for these items. We have to drive 12 miles either to Tipton or California to get all the mail out the same day. Also you say to pay cash only for these items. The mail carrier will be carrying a lot of cash with her. This is not good or safe.

Next we would have to get a very secured mail box for all of our mail. We close the bank over the noon hour(12:00 to 1:00) if she comes that time we will miss her. We will not have the time to wait for her by the mailbox because it will be different times that she will come each day according how much mail she has.

On the effect on community, the letter you posted didn't even mention The Tipton Latham Bank as one of the business organizations. Also all the Mennonite businesses in this area were not mentioned. This will definitely have a big effect on the community. The Mennonite's do not have a computer to buy stamps and services over the internet. They come on a horse or bicycle into Latham to do their business.

Even though my personal home address is California, MO, I still use the Latham Post Office all the time. I just live 2 miles from here. I know a lot of other people that lives around Latham area that does not have a Post Office Box that uses the Latham Post Office. I hardly ever go to California to do business, since we have everything right here in the Latham Community.

We would really appreciate very much if you would reconsider closing down the Latham Post Office in Latham, MO. It is a big asset to this Bank and the Community.

Thank you for reconsidering,

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