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BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
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In the Matter of:

West ELKTON OHIO 45070
Post Office State ZIP Code

POSTAL REGULATORY
COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Docket No: A2011-53

Robert Eckhardt, Petitioner(s)

PARTICIPANT STATEMENT

1. Petitioner(s) are appealing the Postal Service's Final Determination concerning the West ELKTON post office. The Final Determination was posted 8/12/2011 (date)

2. In accordance with applicable law, 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)(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.

I don't see how closing all these post offices and relying on the mail for rural delivery can make things better. I've had many pieces of mail either lost or delayed getting delivered and shutting them down will make things worse.

I've had my rural mail box smashed by vandals. So why would I want to put money and important mail in the box?

Also the post master at West Ebleton did not retire in 2008. They transferred out and no post master was ever hired to replace them.

The PO saved money by not giving the West Ebleton PMR full post master pay and the PMR never had any benefits. They worked 5 1/2 days every week for years with no days off. Now you will thank them for all their faithful work by firing them. That's the American way, put the dollar first ahead of hard working people.

You say we should go to these beggar and fourth away post offices to do our business. I do not have a computer, do not know how to use a computer. When you go into these beggar post office to ask questions and keep on mailing packages the clerk is too busy to help you and can be rude. Who wants to sit at the end of your driveway and wait to talk to your rural mail carrier?