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RE: Appeal the decision to close the Post Office at Algoma, MS 38820

POSTAL REGULATORY
COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

To Whom It May Concern:

Hello. My name is Hilda Smith and I have been a resident in Algoma, Mississippi, for over 25 years. I am a regular small-time package user and I am concerned about the welfare of our small Town of Algoma located in North Mississippi. According to the last census taken, Algoma has approximately 590 residents. If you divide that by, let's say 4 people, there would be an estimated 148 households that would not have access to the postal mail services. Our town also has school traffic and it is possible that the Post Office in Algoma, Mississippi, has business from teachers who travel to and from the school.

The Town of Algoma, Mississippi, does not have Internet Service. Even though having Internet Service would be an asset to our town, it would not take the place of the need for the Postal Services in Algoma, Mississippi 38820.

We have a few small businesses that use the post office on a small-time regular basis. We have a water association that has mailings every month, to and from the water association, we have a gun repair and archery shop, and other small-time regular package users as myself. Let's not forget the older folks who need access to local post office services.

In my opinion, I believe that closing the Post Office at Algoma, Mississippi 38820 would set the town back over 100 years. Some folks around here do own a pony, but they would not be very useful in getting the mail delivered. We need to be advancing, not going backwards!

It may be the age of "Technology", and I like technology, just not as much as some folks do, but, the small towns do not need to suffer due to mistakes or bad decisions, as it appears to me, that were made higher up the corporate ladder.

Please, accept this as my appeal to keep the Post Office at Algoma, Mississippi 38820 open.

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Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

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Hilda Smith

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just one of the many residents of the small Town of Algoma, Mississippi, that would hate to see our town suffer

P.S. I could have sent this letter of appeal electronically (but I do not have Internet Service at home), or I could have chosen to send it by UPS or Fed-Ex, but I chose to send it through the U.S. mail service in support of the local post office in Algoma, Mississippi 38820.