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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

PO Box 221
Bloomington, ID 83223

RE: Closure of the Bloomington Idaho Post Office (83223)

To Whom Concerned,

I am writing this letter as a protest to the closure of the Bloomington Post Office. It appears to me that the postal service is on a path of self destruction with the decisions that are being made. I have been an avid supporter of the postal service by sending all my bills by mail rather than on line bill pay. I have a small part time business that requires mailing of larger flats. I would make sure I used the USPS for those mailings. If the USPS is going to pull their service from my community I also am going to pull my service from the USPS and go to on line bill pay and use other carriers for my flats. If you don't support us I won't support you. It is my opinion that you should be opening more post offices and discontinuing door to door delivery. Especially in the cities. Rural areas maybe should continue to have rural delivery. It seems discontinuing door to door delivery would generate millions in savings in that you would not have to purchase vehicles, could sell many of the ones you have, no more gas, insurance and repair and maintenance bills and many fewer carriers. And have one location where we could pick up our mail and purchase postage as needed.

The agreement with the Bloomington Post Office is unbeatable. You just pay rent. No utilities, no snow removal and you still have a contract for several more years.

The proposed location for the cluster boxes is horrendous as the location is often rented to large groups in the summer time which parking would block the way to the boxes making picking up our mail very uncomfortable for us. It also opens up the possibility of children of the renters playing on and around the boxes with the possibility of sticking small sticks in the key holes and causing damage to the boxes.

And finally, our Post Office is the hub of our community. I know large businesses such as yours could care less about the community and its people. Your concern is that you made 8 billion this year instead of 9 billion (which is still a huge profit) and would have to settle on a $400,000 retirement package instead of $500,000. And maybe have to pull your sponsorship from the NBA. (Did I really say that?) Not losing this hub is especially important to many of the older people in our town. But who cares about them...right?

Again I think you are on the path to total demise. Good luck.

Sincerely
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