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BEFORE THE  
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268

POSTAL REGULATORY  
COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

In the Matter of:

SMYRNA, NEW YORK 13464  
Post Office State ZIP Code

Docket No: A2011-78

MARIE WHALEY, Petitioner(s)

PARTICIPANT STATEMENT

1. Petitioner(s) are appealing the Postal Service's Final Determination concerning the SMYRNA post office. The Final Determination was posted SEPT. 9, 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.

WHY YOU SHOULD NOT CLOSE THE POST OFFICE

#1 - HARDSHIP ON THE COMMUNITY AS WILL HAVE TO TRAVEL TO SHERBURNE FOR SERVICE WHICH WILL RESULT IN AN EXTRA EXPENSE DUE TO HIGH COST OF FUEL, WHICH MANY CANNOT AFFORD. ALSO, PARKING AT SHERBURNE IS VERY LIMITED.

#2 - SMYRNA IS A VERY ACTIVE TOWN: BUSINESSES; GROCERY STORE, FEED STORE, GARAGE, LAWYERS OFFICE, BAILE LUMBER,



FIRE DEPT, 3 CHURCHES - VERY ACTIVE

#3 THERE HAS BEEN ALOT OF GAS DRILLING, AND THESE PEOPLE WILL BE STAYING IN AREA AND ALSO NEEDING THESE LOCAL SERVICES. THIS TOWN IS GROWING.

#4

ALSO, FEAR THIS WILL AFFECT OUR RURAL DELIVERY, MAIL WILL BE DELIVERED MUCH LATER. DELIVERY OUT OF SMYRNA IS MOST EFFICIENT, AND DOUBT COMING FROM SHERBURNE WILL BE SO GOOD.

#5 AS I STATED BEFORE, SURROUNDING TOWNS SUCH AS PLYMOUTH HAVE 2 POST OFFICES AND VERY LITTLE BUSINESS, WHERE SMYRNA IS VERY ACTIVE.

IT WOULD BE A SHAME TO CLOSE SMYRNA, A TOWN THAT IS GROWING, NOT DECLINING

Marie Whaley  
A Concerned Citizen