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To Whom It May Concern:

I adjure the Postal Regulatory Commission to reconsider its determination to close the service of the West Edmeston Post Office according to docket number 1387008-13485.

After reading the aforementioned docket, it has come to my attention that, "all available information" has not been taken into consideration.

I would like to correct the "Response" that the Bridgewater Post Office is 8 miles away. It is 16 miles away. The round trip must be accounted for. With this added burden of time, expense, and emissions we will be more likely to use your competitor's services, which are more convenient due to the increase in travel.

I was disappointed with the lame (lacking) "Response" to the "Concern" addressing the increased Amish population. It is my understanding that the "data gathering phase" had preceded this immigration. A change in population of such magnitude needs to be reflected in the most current data collected in order to make a wise business decision.

There has been no mention that the Bridgewater Post Office would be upgraded as a higher level facility, due to the increased postal load. This increase will result in increased salaries commensurate with the facility's promotion in status. The preclusion of this information leads me to question the integrity of this study and the conclusion it reports.

My husband and I run several businesses directly to the public, besides our dairy farm. Regardless of the product one tenet of business we always adhere to is that "the customer is king". Our businesses have thrived.

This process of shared decision making where it seems that the Postal Service has already made their "decision" and is subsequently "sharing" it, is not conducive to prosperous business practice.

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I do hope the Postal Regulatory Commission will reconsider its decision, gather accurate and current data, and be responsive to your customers by allowing the West Edmeston Post Office to service our postal needs. Thank you.

In Sincerity,
Claudia Haar & Jonathan Haar
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