

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date Entered into Record</u>
1.	Authority to Conduct Investigation	02/04/2011
2.	Notice of PO Emergency Suspension-N/A	05/05/2011
3.	Notice to District of Emergency Suspension-N/A	05/05/2011
4.	Post Office location/hours	02/24/2011
5.	Eviction Notice-N/A	05/05/2011
6.	Building Inspection Report-Property Detail Report	02/28/2011
7.	Post Office and Community Photos	06/06/2011
8.	PS Form 150	03/18/2011
9.	Worksheet for Workload Service Credit	03/17/2011
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11.	Survey of Incoming Mail	03/17/2011
12.	Survey of Dispatched Mail	03/17/2011
13.	Instructions to PM/OIC for Information	03/17/2011
14.	Local Law Enforcement Vandalism Reports	02/23/2011
15.	Post Office Survey Sheet	03/11/2011
16.	Community Survey Sheet	03/11/2011
17.	Highway Contract/Rural Route Cost Analysis Form	04/22/2011
18.	PS Form 4920	03/21/2011
19.	Establish Rural Route Service - NA	04/02/2011
20.	Instruction to OIC to Conduct Surveys	04/04/2011
21.	Questionnaire Cover Letter and Questionnaire	04/04/2011
22.	Returned Customer Questionnaires and Response Letters	06/06/2011
23.	Analysis of Questionnaires	05/13/2011
24.	Community Meeting Roster	04/07/2011
25.	Community Meeting Analysis and Business Cards	04/20/2011
26.	Congressional Request	05/05/2011
27.	Business Customer Statement and Response	05/12/2011
28.	Business Customer Statement and Response	05/16/2011

29.	Proposal Checklist	07/06/2011
30.	Notification to Government Relations	07/06/2011
31.	Instruction Letter to PM/OIC to Post Proposal	07/06/2011
32.	Invitation for Comments	07/06/2011
33.	Proposal Exhibit	07/06/2011
34.	Comment Form Exhibit	07/06/2011
35.	Instructions for PM/OIC to Remove Proposal	09/16/2011
36.	Round-dated Proposals	10/03/2011
36a.	Round-dated Invitation for Comments	10/03/2011
37.	Notification of Taking Comments Under Internal Consideration	10/03/2011
38.	Proposal Comments and USPS Response Letters	10/03/2011
39.	Customer/Congressional Requests and USPS Responses	10/03/2011
40.	Analysis of 60-Day Comments	10/03/2011
41.	Revised Proposal (if needed) – NA	10/03/2011
42.	Updated PS Form 4920 – NA	10/04/2011
43.	Certification of Record	10/04/2011
44.	Log of Post Office Discontinuance Actions	10/04/2011
45.	Transmittal of Official Record	10/07/2011
46.	Headquarters Acknowledgement	10/11/2011
47.	Final Determination Posting	10/11/2011
48.	Instruction Letter to PM/OIC to Post Final Determination	10/17/2011
49.	Round-date stamped Final Determination cover sheets	11/18/2011
50.	Postal Bulletin Post Office Change Announcement	11/18/2011
51.	Announcement of Appeal to the Discontinuance	11/18/2011
54.	District Letter to Vice President, Official Record	10/07/2011
54A.	Final Determination Letter to District Manager from Headquarters	10/11/2011



02/04/2011

RICK PIVOVAR
DISTRICT MANAGER
CENTRAL PLAINS PFC

SUBJECT: Authority to Conduct Investigation

I request your authorization to investigate a possible change in postal services for the office in the Kansas 1st congressional district.

Post Office Name:	HOME
Zip+4 Code:	66438-9998
EAS Level:	53
Finance Number:	194235
County:	Marshall
Proposed Admin Office:	MARYSVILLE PO
ADMIN Miles Away:	7.0
Near Office Name:	MARYSVILLE PO
Near Miles Away:	7.0
Number of Customers:	
Post Office Box:	0
General Delivery:	0
Rural Route (RR):	0
Highway Contract Route (HCR):	0
Intermediate RR:	0
Intermediate HCR:	0
City Delivery:	0
Total Customers:	0
ZIP Code Change:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ZIP Code

The above office became vacant when the postmaster retired on 01/09/2001.

The Postmaster position is vacant. The office has realized a decline in customer demand and work load the last three years.

SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations

Approval to Study for Discontinuance:

RICK PIVOVAR
DISTRICT MANAGER
CENTRAL PLAINS PFC

02/04/2011

DATE

cc: Area Manager, Public Affairs and Communication



NOTICE OF POST OFFICE EMERGENCY SUSPENSION

A. Office

Name: HOME State: KS Zip Code: 66438
Area: WESTERN District: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC
Congressional District: Kansas 1st County: Marshall
EAS Grade: 53 Finance Number: 194235
Post Office: Classified Station Classified Branch CPO

• There was no Emergency Suspension for this office

Prepared by: LeAnn Tvrdy
Title: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC Post Office Review Coordinator
Tele No: (402) 930-4431

Date: 05/05/2011
Fax No: (402) 930-4406



NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS/DISTRICT PERSONNEL OF SUSPENSION

A. Office

Name: HOME State: KS Zip Code: 66438
Area: WESTERN District: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC
Congressional District: Kansas 1st County: Marshall
EAS Grade: 53 Finance Number: 194235
Post Office: Classified Station Classified Branch CPO

There was no Emergency Suspension for this office

Prepared by: LeAnn Tvrdy
Title: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC Post Office Review Coordinator
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Date: 05/05/2011
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Post Office™ Locations

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Post Office™ Locations near 66438



1 Post Office™
Location - HOME
 213 2ND ST
 HOME, KS 66438-9998
 (800) ASK-USPS
 (800) 275-8777
 (785) 799-3550
1.1 mi

Business Hours
 Mon-Fri
 8:00am-12:00pm
 Sat-Sun
 closed

2 Post Office™
Location - BEATTIE
 302 CENTER ST
 BEATTIE, KS 66406-9998
 (800) ASK-USPS
 (800) 275-8777
 (785) 353-2341
5.0 mi

Business Hours
 Mon-Fri
 8:30am-11:45am
 12:30pm-3:45pm
 Sat
 8:30am-9:30am
 Sun
 closed

Services
[PO Boxes Online](#)
 Service hours may vary. Please check link for business hours.

3 Post Office™
Location - MARYSVILLE
 109 S 9TH ST
 MARYSVILLE, KS 66508-9998
 (800) ASK-USPS
 (800) 275-8777
 (785) 562-3236
7.3 mi

Business Hours
 Mon-Fri
 8:30am-11:00am
 12:00pm-4:30pm
 Sat
 9:00am-10:30am
 Sun
 closed

Services
[Passport Application Services](#)
[PO Boxes Online](#)
 Service hours may vary. Please check link for business hours.

4 Post Office™
Location - OKETO

Business Hours
 Mon-Fri

Services
[PO Boxes Online](#)



Eviction Notice

A. Office

Name: HOME State: KS Zip Code: 66438
Area: WESTERN District: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC
Congressional District: Kansas 1st County: Marshall
EAS Grade: 53 Finance Number: 194235
Post Office: Classified Station Classified Branch CPO

There was no eviction notice for this office

Prepared by: LeAnn Tvrdy
Title: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC Post Office Review Coordinator
Tele No: (402) 930-4431

Date: 05/05/2011
Fax No: (402) 930-4406



Building Inspection Report

A. Office

Name: HOME State: KS Zip Code: 66438
Area: WESTERN District: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC
Congressional District: Kansas 1st County: MARSHALL
EAS Grade: 53 Finance Number: 194235
Post Office: Classified Station Classified Branch CPO

• There was no building inspection report nor photos for this office

Prepared by: LeAnn Tvrdy
Title: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC Post Office Review Coordinator
Tele No: (402) 930-4431

Date: 11/28/2011
Fax No: (402) 930-4406

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Property Detail Report

Property Description

Fin/Sublocation: 194235-001	Status: Active	Chargeable Fin: 194235
PO-Unit Name: HOME-MAIN OFFICE	District: Central Plains	Postmaster: Elaine Roover
Address: 213 2ND ST	County: MARSHALL	PM Phone: 785-799-3550
City/St/ZIP: HOME, KS 66438-9998	CAG: K	FDB ID: 1387262
Comments: LEASE DATA CLEANUP COMPLETE LSE EFFECTIVE 3/1/00-2/28/2005		AMS Locale: W20719

General Information

Type Qtrs: Main Office	Maint Resp: Landlord	Ann. \$0.00	Land Cost: \$0.00
Property Use: Customer Service	Electricity: USPS	Depreciation: Remaining Yr:	Bldg Cost: \$0.00
Cust Svc Code: Delivery	Water: USPS	Accum \$0.00	Land FMV: \$0.00
AMS Type: Post Office	Heat: USPS	Depreciation: Undepreciated \$0.00	Bldg FMV: \$0.00
AMD Subtype: Main Post Office	Trash: USPS	Amt: Book Value: \$0.00	Land Owner: Standard Lease, Fixed Term
Acquisition: Leased, Existing Building	Sewerage: USPS	Asbestos:	Bldg Owner: Standard Lease, Fixed Term
Construc.: Wood/Brick	Custodial: USPS	Historic: Unknown	Last Inspec.: 01/12/2011 MIGRATION
Dt Land 07/01/1945	Snow: USPS	Indian Nation: No	Next Inspec.: 01/12/2012 MIGRATION
Acquired:		Handicap Non-Accessible, Access.: Waiver Requested	
Dt Bldg 07/01/1945			
Occupied:			

Space Survey

Net Interior: 680	# Stories: 1	Total # Carriers:	PO Box SF:
Site: 748	# Cust Parking:	Emp Complement:	Counter SF:
Total Cust Svc & PO Box 82	# Emp Parking: 0	Walk in Rev: 0	Excess SF: 414
Lobby Area:	Freight Elevators: 0	# APC: 0	USPS Occ SF:
Delivery Wkroom Area: 340	Cust Elevators: 0		% Occ by USPS:
Date Last Measured:			

Energy

A/C: Windows	Exclude from Audit:	Top 500:
Prim Fuel: Natural Gas	Last Audit Date:	Include on DOE Rpt:
Sec Fuel: None	Last Audit Type:	

Active Lease Data

Lease Eff Date: 03/01/2010	RO Days Notice: 30	PO Type:
Lease Exp Date: 02/28/2015	Term Days Notice: 90	PO Date:
Annual Rent: \$4,550.00	Ground Lease: No	PO Price: \$0.00

Landlord Name: MARY L WILLIAMS	Tax ID: xxxxx0798
Address1: 910 HILLCREST	Phone: 785-562-2764
Address2/3:	
City, State, ZIP: MARYSVILLE, KS 66508-1419	

Lease Option (Active ID E00000261991)

Lease Options (not active)

Type	Eff. Date	Exp. Date	Status	Ann. Rent	Type	Eff. Date	Exp. Date	Status	Ann. Rent
Base	03/01/2010	02/28/2015	Active	\$4,550.00	Renewal	03/01/2005	02/28/2010	Exercised	\$2,984.00
Renewal	03/01/2015	02/29/2016	Planned	\$5,005.00	Base			Planned	
					Base	03/01/1995	02/29/2000	Completed	\$2,400.00
					Base	03/01/2000	02/28/2005	Completed	\$2,700.00
					Renewal	03/01/2005	02/28/2010	Completed	\$2,984.00

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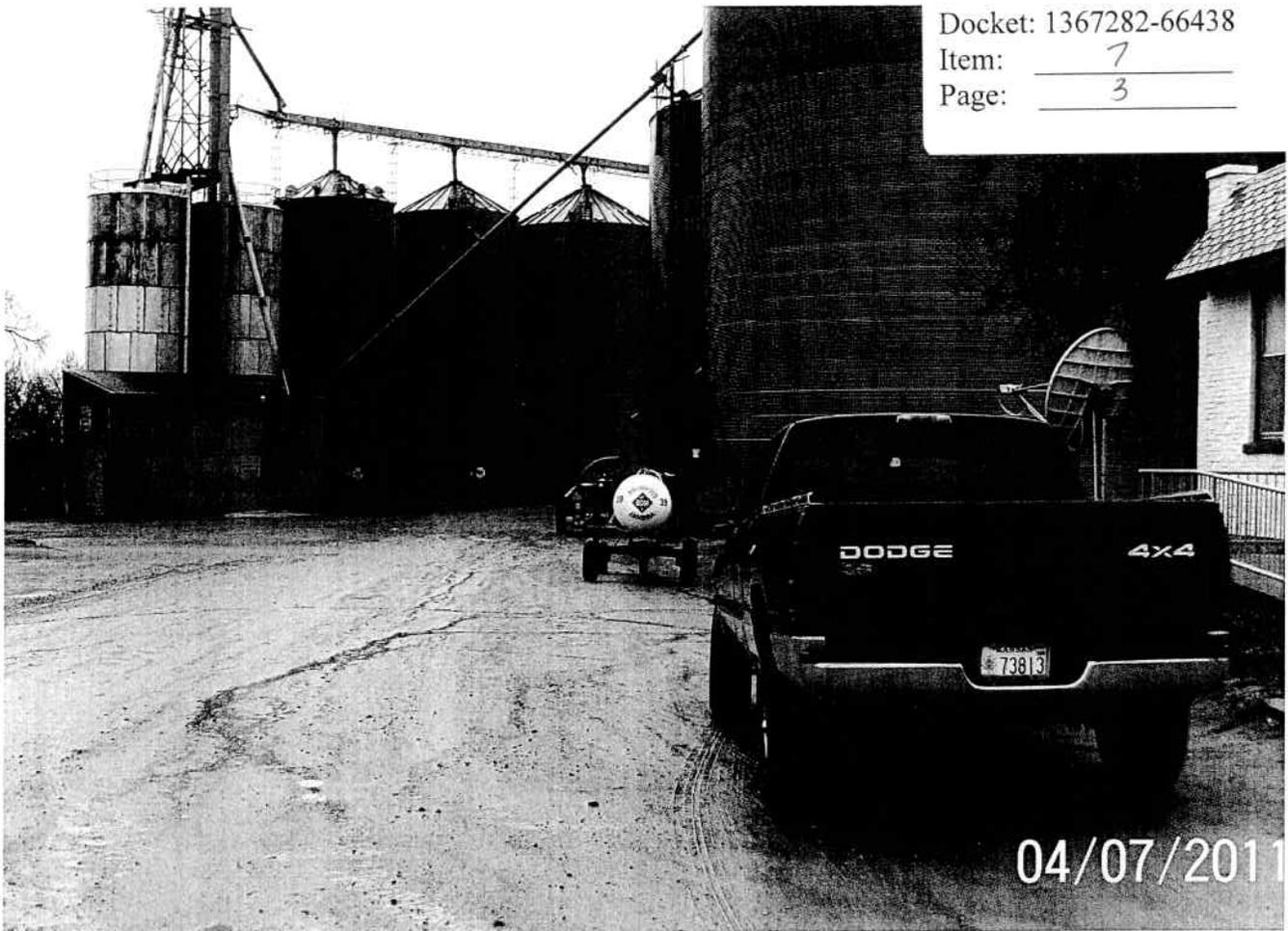


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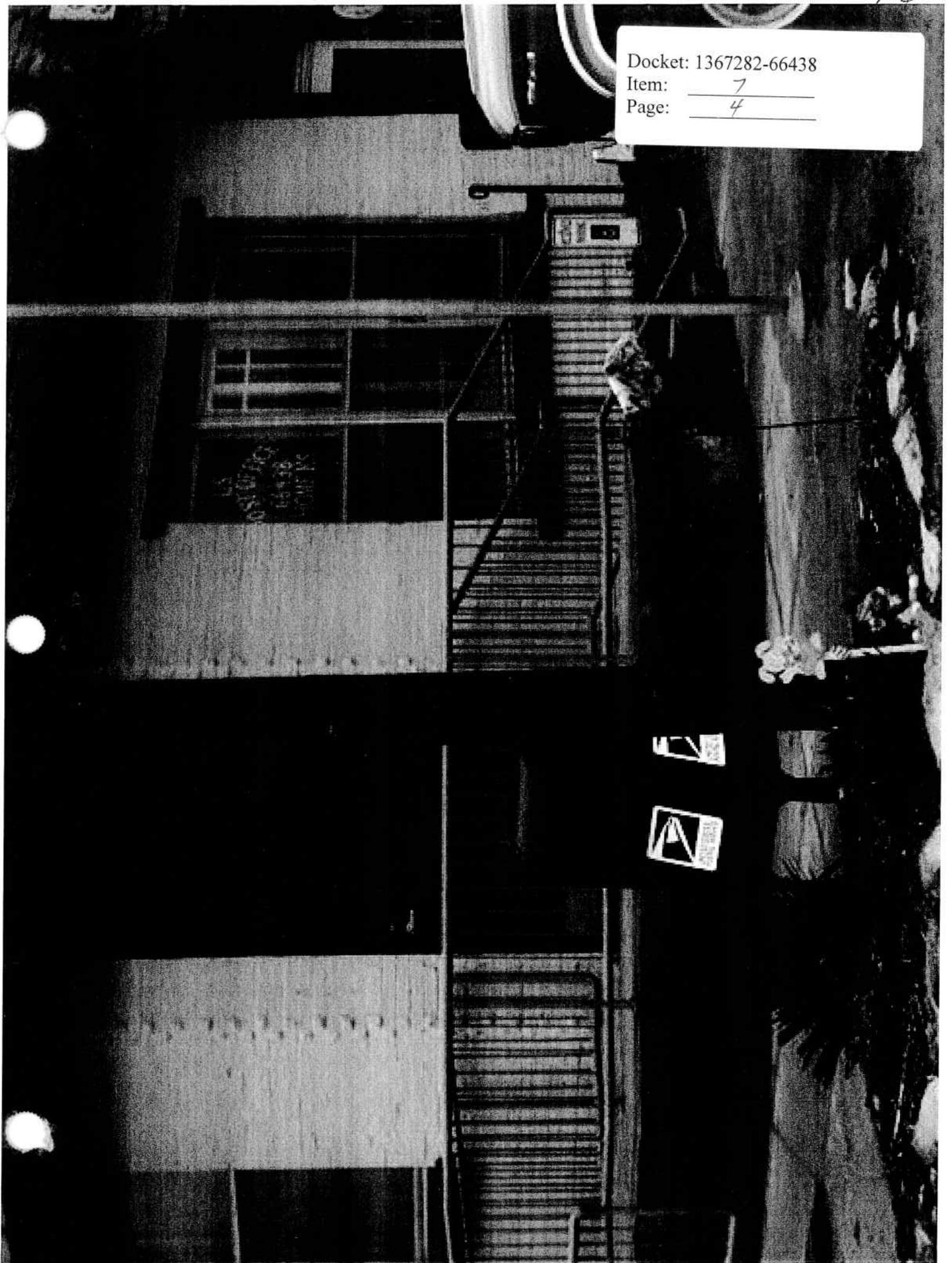




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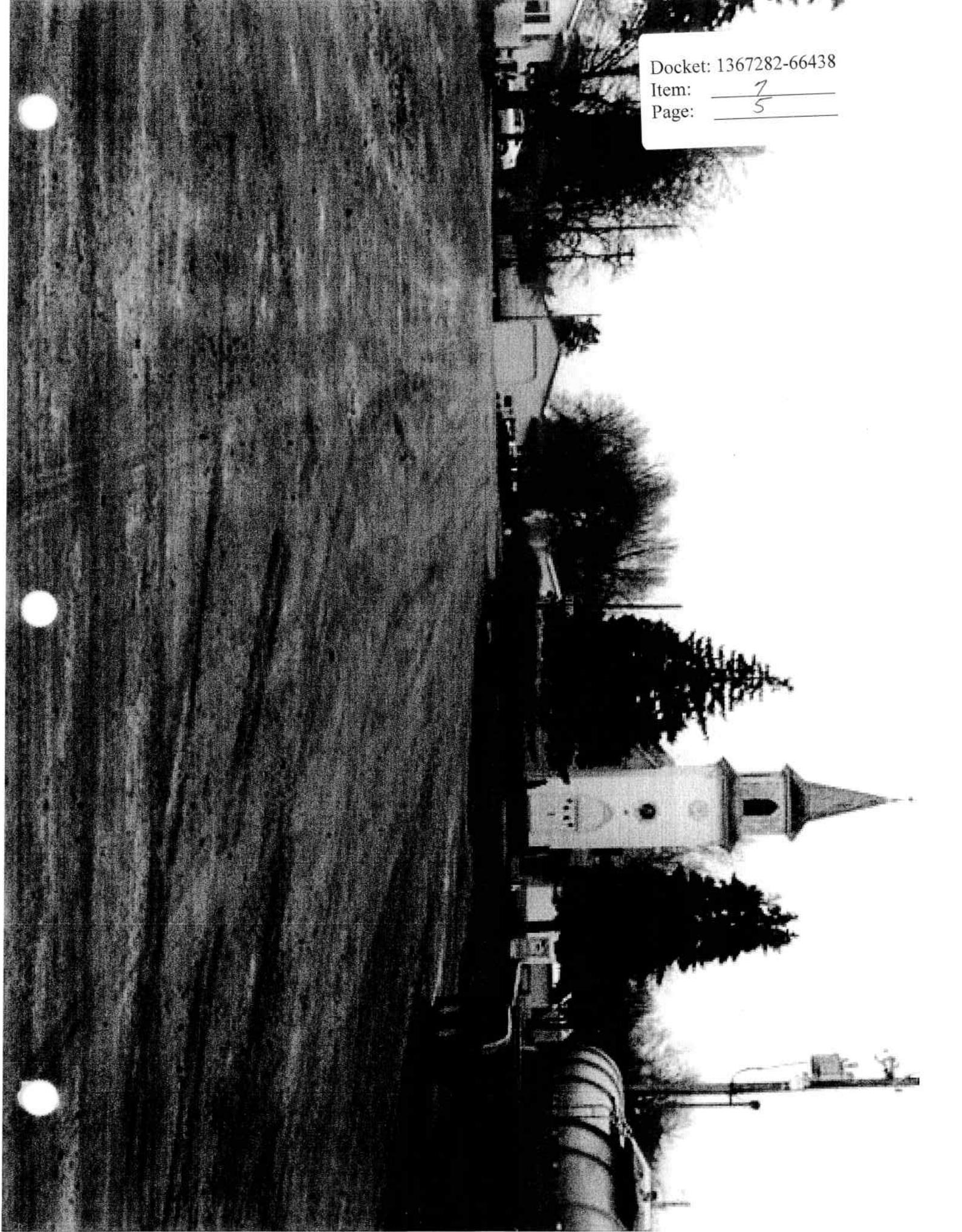
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PS Form 150, Postmaster Workload Information

Post Office, State & Zip Code HOME, KS 66438		Postmaster's Signature TMV4D0	Date 03/21/2011
District Office, State & Zip Code CENTRAL PLAINS PFC, NE 68119		District Manager's Signature Rick Pivovar	Date 03/18/2011
<i>(Check Box)</i>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vacancy <input type="checkbox"/> Management Review <input type="checkbox"/> RFR		See Instructions on Reverse	
1.	Current Office Level		53
2.	Finance Number	(1-6)	194235
3.	General Delivery Families Served	(7-9)	0
4.	Post Office Boxes/Call Boxes Rented	(10-15)	0
5.	Possible City Deliveries	(16-20)	0
6.	Administrative Rural Boxes Served	(21-25)	0
7.	Intermediate Rural Boxes Served	(26-30)	0
8.	Administrative Responsibility form Intermediate Rural Boxes for Other Offices	(31-35)	0
9.	Administrative Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes Served	(36-39)	0
10.	Intermediate Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes Served	(40-43)	0
11.	Administrative Responsibility for Intermediate Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes for Other Offices	(44-47)	0
12.	Number of Carrier Stations/Branches	(48-49)	0
13.	Number of Finance Stations/Branches	(50-51)	0
14.	Number of Contract Stations/Branches & Community Post Offices	(52-53)	0
15a.	Does Office Experience A Seasonal Workload? <i>(box one "Y" of yes, "N" for no)</i> <i>(If you answer "yes" of this question, complete "Seasonal Workload" section on reverse.)</i>	(54)	N
15b.	Duration of Experience A Seasonal Workload? <i>(minimum of 8 weeks)</i>	(55-56)	
16.	Does Office Perform Outgoing Distribution for Other Offices?	(57)	N
17.	Does Office Perform Incoming Distribution for Other Offices?	(58)	N
18.	Does Office Perform Incoming Secondary Distribution for Other Offices?	(59)	N
19.	Do You Separate All Incoming Letter Size Mail to City & Rural Carrier Routes for Your Own Office?	(60)	N
20.	Do You Separate All Incoming Flat Size Mail to City & Rural Carrier Routes for Your Own Office?	(61)	N
21.	Do You Have Responsibility for Vehicle Maintenance Facilities?	(62)	N
22.	Does Your Office Have Administrative Responsibility for an Air Transfer Office?	(63)	N
23.	Is Postmaster Lessor for Government Owned Building?	(64)	N
24.	Does Office Have MPLSM/SPLSM?	(65)	N
25.	Does Office Distribute Food Stamps?	(65)	N

PS Form 150, Postmaster Workload Information

	Normal	During Seasonal Period
General Delivery Families Served	0	0
Post Office Boxes/Call Boxes Rented	0	0
Possible City Deliveries	0	0
Administrative Rural Boxes Served	0	0
Intermediate Rural Boxes Served	0	0
Administrative Responsibility/Number Intermediate Rural Boxes	0	0
Administrative Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes Served	0	0
Intermediate Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes Served	0	0
Administrative Responsibility/Number Intermediate Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes	0	0

Instructions

- | | |
|---|---|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enter current evaluated office level. 2. Enter the 0 digit post office finance number. 3. Enter number of general delivery families served. 4. Enter total number of post office boxes and call boxes rented. Do not confuse with the total number available. This total should include boxes rented at classified stations/branches as well as the main office including GPO's. 5. Enter total possible city deliveries. The total reported should equal the total possible deliveries shown on Form 1821, <i>Carrier Route Report</i>, for the previous accounting period. 6. Enter the number of administrative boxes served. This is the number of rural route boxes served, within your ZIP Code ONLY by carriers administratively reporting to you. Do not include boxes on the routes which are in the ZIP Code of an intermediate office. 7. Enter the number of intermediate rural boxes served. This is the number of rural boxes, within your ZIP Code, served by a carrier administratively reporting to another postmaster. For credit, the mail must be incoming to your office and separated to the routes within your ZIP Code by you or your employees prior to carrier sequencing. 8. Enter the number of intermediate rural boxes for which you are administratively responsible. This is the number of boxes served by a carrier administratively responsible to you, but which are located in the ZIP Code for another office. 9. Enter the number of administrative highway contract star route boxes served. This is the total number of star route boxes served within your ZIP Code ONLY by a contractor for whom you have administrative responsibility. Do not include boxes on the routes which are in the same ZIP Code of an intermediate office. 10. Enter the number of intermediate highway contract star route boxes served. This is the total number of star route boxes served within your ZIP Code ONLY by a contractor who administratively reports to another Postmaster. For credit the mail must be incoming to your office and separated to the contract route by you or your employees. 11. Enter the number of intermediate highway contract star route boxes for which you are administratively responsible. This is the number of boxes served by a contractor for whom you are administratively responsible and which are located in the ZIP Code of another office. 12. Enter the number of classified stations and/or branches that have carrier delivery service. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13. Enter the number of classified finance stations and/or branches (without carrier delivery service) staffed by postal employees. 14. Enter the total number of contract stations, rural stations and community post offices. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) A contract station is a detached finance unit manned by non-postal employees. (b) A rural station is a post office box delivery unit serviced by a rural carrier. (c) A community post office is a contract unit which provides service in a small community. 15. To receive credit for a seasonal workload increase the items shown on the seasonal workload portion of the form must show a 25% increase and must last for a minimum of 8 weeks. The Christmas Season is not to be considered as a seasonal workload increase. Should your office have a seasonal workload increase you should enter the exact number of weeks the season lasts and complete the seasonal workload portion of the form in its entirety. <p style="text-align: center;">Questions 16 Thru 25 Should Be Answered Y (Yes) or N (No)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 16. Does office separate massed outgoing mail originating in other associate offices to three digit ZIP CODE designating offices and/or area distribution centers and demonstrate a culling, facing and cancelling operation? 17. Does office separate massed three digit sorted incoming mail to a five digit sort for other associate offices? 18. Does office separate incoming mail to carrier routes for other associate offices? 19. Does office separate all incoming letter size mail to city, rural and/or star routes? 20. Does office separate all incoming flats to city and/or rural carrier routes without assistance from an MPC? 21. Do you have a vehicle maintenance facility under your jurisdiction? 22. Do you have an air transfer office under your jurisdiction? 23. Do you occupy a government-owned building and lease a portion of the building to someone else? 24. Does your office operate a Multiple Position Letter Sorting Machine (MPLSM) or Single Position Letter Sorting Machine (SPLSM)? 25. Does your office distribute food stamps? |
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Worksheet for calculating Workload Service Credit (WSC) for Post Offices

Worksheet for calculating Workload Service Credit (WSC) for Post Offices

Office Name: HOME
 Office Zip+4: 66438 -9998 District: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC

Activity WSCs

General Delivery Families Served (Item 3, PS Form 150)	<u>0</u>	X 1.0	=	<u>0</u>
Post Office Boxes/Call Boxes Rented (Item 4, PS Form 150).....	<u>0</u>	X 1.0	=	<u>0</u>
Possible City Deliveries (Item 5, PS Form 150)	<u>0</u>	X 1.33	=	<u>0</u>
Administrative Rural Boxes Served (Item 6, PS Form 150)	<u>0</u>	X 1.0	=	<u>0</u>
Intermediate Rural Boxes Served (Item 7, PS Form 150)	<u>0</u>	X 0.7	=	<u>0</u>
Administrative Responsibility for Intermediate Rural Boxes for Other Offices (Item 8, PS Form 150)	<u>0</u>	X 0.3	=	<u>0</u>
..				
Administrative Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes Served (Item 9, PS Form 150)	<u>0</u>	X 1.0	=	<u>0</u>
..				
Intermediate Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes Served (Item 10, PS Form 150)	<u>0</u>	X 0.7	=	<u>0</u>
..				
Administrative Responsibility for Intermediate Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes for Other Offices (Item 11, PS Form 150)	<u>0</u>	X 0.3	=	<u>0</u>
Total Activity WSCs				<u>0</u>

Revenue WSCs

First	25 revenue units:	1.00	X	<u>25</u> units	=	<u>25.00</u>
Next	275 revenue units:	0.50	X	<u>12</u> units	=	<u>6.00</u>
Next	700 revenue units:	0.25	X	<u>0</u> units	=	<u>0.00</u>
Next	5000 revenue units:	0.10	X	<u>0</u> units	=	<u>0.00</u>
	Balance of revenue units:	0.01	X	<u>0</u> units	=	<u>0.00</u>
Total revenue WSCs:						<u>31.00</u>

Activity WSCs 0 + Revenue WSCs = 31.00 Base WSCs 31.00 = EAS Grade A

Previous evaluation: EAS grade 53

Effective date of change in service hours: _____ (if appropriate)
 (when a vacancy exists, hours must reflect the appropriate EAS grade)

Worksheet completed by:

LEANN TVRDY

 Printed Name
 CENTRAL PLAINS PFC District Review Coordinator

 Title

LEANN.K.TVRDY@USPS.GOV

 Signature
 03/14/2011

 Date

Window Transaction Survey

Window Transaction Survey

PO Name: HOME ZIP+4: 66438 - 9998 Completed By: RON REILLY
 Survey Period: 02/26/2011 through 03/11/2011

Record the number of retail window transactions in the appropriate columns for each day. Consider a sale of stamps as one transaction. A sale of stamps and a money order is two transactions. Do not record the handing out over the counter of box mail, general delivery mail, or carrier mail. Instead of this worksheet, you may use PS Form 2007-A, Window Transaction Record; PS Form 2007-B, Window Transaction Conversion; and PS Form 2007-C, Window Transaction Survey. To obtain the average daily number of transactions, divide the total number of transactions during the survey period by the number of days in the survey. The allowable time per transaction is shown in each column in minutes. To determine the average daily workload in minutes, multiply the number of transactions in each column by the time conversion for that column, total the time conversions for all columns, and divide the total number of minutes by the number of days in the survey period.

Day/Date	Postage Sales (.777)	Priority Parcels Money Orders (1.083)	Express Registered C.O.D (1.969)	Passports Meter Settings (5.06)	Box Rent (2.875)	Certified Insured Special Service (1.792)	Misc. Services (1.787)	Nonrevenue Services (1.188)
Sat - 02/26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sun - 02/27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mon - 02/28	17	3	1	0	0	1	0	1
Tue - 03/01	10	1	1	0	0	8	0	3
Wed - 03/02	11	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
Thu - 03/03	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Fri - 03/04	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Sat - 03/05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sun - 03/06	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mon - 03/07	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Tue - 03/08	11	3	1	0	0	0	0	5
Wed - 03/09	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	6
Thu - 03/10	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Fri - 03/11	8	1	1	0	0	0	0	5
TOTALS	84	10	10	0	0	10	0	30
Time Factor	X .777	X	X 1.969	X 5.06	X	X 1.792	X 1.787	X 1.188
Daily Average	6.5	1.1	2.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.0	3.6
Average Number Daily Transactions:		14.4		Average Daily Retail Workload in Minutes:		15.0		

Window Transaction Survey

Window Transaction Survey

PO Name: Home KS ZIP+4: 66438-9998 Completed by: Elaine Rowner
 (Signature and Title)

Survey Period: 2/26/11 Through: 3/11/11

Record the number of retail window transactions in the appropriate columns for each day. Consider a sale of stamps as one transaction. A sale of stamps and a money order is two transactions. Do not record the handing out over the counter of box mail, general delivery mail, or carrier mail. Instead of this worksheet, you may use PS Form 2007-A, *Window Transaction Record*; PS Form 2007-B, *Window Transaction Conversion*; and PS Form 2007-C, *Window Transaction Survey*. Use hash marks (//) for daily entries in the columns. To obtain the average daily number of transactions, divide the total number of transactions during the survey period by the number of days in the survey. The allowable time per transaction is shown in each column in minutes. To determine the average daily workload in minutes, multiply the number of transactions in each column by the time conversion for that column, total the time conversions for all columns, and divide the total number of minutes by the number of days in the survey period.

Day/Date	Postage Sales (.777)	Priority Parcels Money Orders (1.083)	Express Registered C.O.D. (1.969)	Passports Meter Settings (5.06)	Box Rent (2.875)	Certified Insured Special Service (1.792)	Misc. Services (1.787)	Nonrevenue Services (1.188)
Saturday	Closed							
Monday			1			1		1
Tuesday		1	1			8		
Wednesday		0	1			1		
Thursday		0	1					1
Friday		0	1					
Saturday	Closed	0	0					0
Monday		1	1					
Tuesday			1					
Wednesday		1	1					
Thursday		0	1					
Friday		1	1					
Total Transactions	84 x .777	10 x 1.083	10 x 1.969	0 x 5.06	0 x 2.875	10 x 1.792	0 x 1.787	30 x 1.188
Time Factor								
Total Minutes	65.27	10.83	19.69	0	0	17.92	0	35.64

Average Number Daily Transactions: 14.4 Average Daily Retail Workload in Minutes: 14.94

Survey of Incoming Mail

Survey of Incoming Mail
 (Record in Pieces)

Post Office Name and Zip+4 HOME 66438 - 9998
 Dates Recorded 02/26/2011 through 03/11/2011

Date	Letters		Flats		Parcels		Other	
	First Class	Standard	First Class	Standard	Priority	Standard		
Sat - 02/26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sun - 02/27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mon - 02/28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tue - 03/01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wed - 03/02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thu - 03/03	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fri - 03/04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sat - 03/05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sun - 03/06	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mon - 03/07	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tue - 03/08	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wed - 03/09	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thu - 03/10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fri - 03/11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Daily Average	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Signature of Person Making Count: RON REILLY
 Printed Name: RON REILLY
 Date: 03/14/11

Conversion Rate

Letter Type	Total Pieces Per Foot	Flat Type	Total Pieces Per Foot
Manual Letters	227	Manual Flats	115
Automated Letters	215	Automated Flats	115
Sequenced Letters	227	Sequenced Flats	115

Conversion rates are subject to periodic updates which will be published and disseminated when applicable.

Survey of Incoming Mail

Only have Dispatched Mail

Survey of Incoming Mail
(Record in Pieces)

Post Office Name and ZIP+4: Home KS 66438-9998
 Dates Recorded: 2/26/11 through 3/11/11

Date	Letters		Flats		Parcels		Other
	First Class	Standard	First Class	Standard	Priority	Standard	
Saturday					Closed		
Monday							
Tuesday							
Wednesday							
Thursday							
Friday							
Saturday					Closed		
Monday							
Tuesday							
Wednesday							
Thursday							
Friday							
TOTALS							
Daily Average							

Signature of Person Making Count: Elaine Roever
 Printed Name: Elaine Roever
 Title: OIC

Conversion Rate

Letter Type	Total Pieces Per Foot	Flat Type	Total Pieces Per Foot
Manual Letters	227	Manual Flats	115
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Note: Conversion rates are subject to periodic updates which will be published and disseminated when applicable.

Survey of Dispatched Mail

Survey of Dispatched Mail
 (Record in Pieces)

Post Office Name and Zip+4 HOME 66438 - 9998

Dates Recorded 02/26/2011 through 03/11/2011

Date	Letters		Flats		Parcels		Other	
	First Class	Standard	First Class	Standard	Priority	Standard		
Sat - 02/26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sun - 02/27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mon - 02/28	123	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tue - 03/01	6001	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wed - 03/02	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thu - 03/03	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fri - 03/04	88	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sat - 03/05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sun - 03/06	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mon - 03/07	89	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tue - 03/08	126	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wed - 03/09	103	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thu - 03/10	3354	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fri - 03/11	2451	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	12,454	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Daily Average	12,454.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Signature of Person Making Count: RON REILLY
 Printed Name: RON REILLY
 Date: 03/14/11

Survey of Dispatched Mail

Survey of Dispatched Mail
(Record in Pieces)

Post Office Name and ZIP+4: Home KS 66438-9998
 Dates Recorded: 2/26/11 through 3/11/11

Date	Letters		Flats		Parcels		Other	
	First Class	Standard	First Class	Standard	Priority	Standard		
Saturday	Closed				Closed			
Monday	123							
Tuesday	6001							
Wednesday	73							
Thursday	46							
Friday	88							
Saturday	Closed				Closed			
Monday	89							
Tuesday	126							
Wednesday	103							
Thursday	3354							
Friday	2451							
TOTALS	12454							
Daily Average	1245.4							

Signature of Person Making Count: Elaine Roever

Printed Name: Elaine Roever

Title: OTC



03/08/2011

OIC/POSTMASTER

SUBJECT: HOME Post Office

Please provide the names and addresses of businesses, religious institutions, civic organizations, and local government offices, and schools that are served by the HOME Post Office. The list of businesses should include small, part-time and in-home businesses, as well as public institutions, such as schools, police departments, etc; religious institutions and businesses physically located outside the community that use retail services on a routine basis at the HOME Post Office. Also, please provide the total number of permit mailers and postage meter customers. Indicate in the space below the total number of Post Office box, general, and street delivery customers served by the office. Return all documents to LEANN TVRDY by 03/22/2011. This information will be entered into the official record for public viewing.

Post Office Box	<u>0</u>
General Delivery	<u>0</u>
Rural Route (RR)	<u>0</u>
Highway Contract Route (HCR)	<u>0</u>
Intermediate RR	<u>0</u>
Intermediate HCR	<u>0</u>
City Delivery	<u>0</u>
Total Customers	<u>0</u>

If you have any comments on alternate means of providing services to the HOME customers, please provide them below:

141 rural route Home KS customers are served by Marysville KS rural route 3. see attached listing of area businesses

LEANN TVRDY
Post Office Review Coordinator

Comments:

Home KS has no po box or rural route customers.

cc: Official Record

Businesses Served by the Home, KS Post Office

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Blue Valley Telemarketing	1555 Pony Express Highway
Blue Valley Communications	1559 Pony Express Highway
Lewis Seed & Fertilizer	208 2 nd St
Home City Grain	200 N Elm
Little Hap's	211 2 nd St
Grace's Korner	201 3 rd St
J&S Service	402 3 rd St
Cornerstone Granite	303 3 rd St
Family Home Treasurers	210 3 rd St
Home Interiors Decorating & Gifts	203 N Maple
Mary Kay Consultant	306 3 rd
Fisher Rock	1632 Pony Express Highway
Oliver Transmission	1647 Pony Express Highway
Home Insurance Agency	1662 Limestone
R&G Tools	307 N Oak
Home Rural Water	301 N Oak
Flow Design Technology	105 S Elm
D&L Hay & Seed Farm	1586 Limestone
Moorman Dealer – K. Koch	1794 Pony Express Highway
Lynn Hermes Customer Harvester	547 16 th Rd
Don Prell – Realtor	1488 Frontier Rd
Stumps Smoked Meats	201 N Maple
Hawkin's Trucking	680 17 th Rd
Ag Transport Trucking	1230 14 th Rd
Bossie's Best	896 15 th Rd
Longhorn Opportunities	1544 Navajo Rd
D&D Custom Haying	1759 Limestone Rd
Ron Smith Trucking	633 16 th Rd
Ketter Construction	1651 17 th Rd
Spring Creek Ag	1230 14 th Rd
Regency Cleaning	1566 Pony Express Highway
Paul Broxterman Tractor Repair	102 3 rd St
Wassenberg Stump Removal	108 2 nd St
Musil Cleaning Service	206 N Maple



02/23/2011

SUBJECT: Possible Discontinuance of Post Office

The Postal Service is currently conducting an investigation concerning the possible discontinuance of the HOME Post Office, 66438 - 9998, located in Marshall County. Please search your records for any recent reports of mail theft or vandalism in the area.

Please enter your findings in the yellow blocks below. Once complete please click submit. You can print from above. Signatures are captured electronically.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter

LEANN TVRDY
Post Office Review Coordinator
CENTRAL PLAINS PFC

NBR records of mail theft or vandalism: 1

Comments/Findings:

cc: Official Record

Post Office Survey Sheet

Post Office Name HOME ZIP+4 66438-9998
Congressional District Kansas 1st Date 03/11/2011

1. List specific information about the facility, such as structural defects, safety hazards, lack of running water or restrooms (if so, where restrooms are available), security, and other deficiencies or factors to consider.

none

2. Is the facility accessible to persons with disabilities? Yes No

3. Lease terms? 30-day cancellation clause? \$4550 annual lease thru 2/28/2015 with a 90 day cancellation clause

4. Are suitable alternate quarters available for an independent Post Office? If so, where?

n/a

5. List potential CPO sites.

Gracious Corner Convenience Store

6. Are there any postage meter customers or permit mailers? Yes No

If yes, please identify them by name and address.

Blue Valley Communications, 1559 Pony Express Hwy, Home KS 66438

7. Which career and noncareer employees will be affected and what accommodations will be made for them?

PMR acting as OIC to be offered opportunity to transfer

8. How is mail received and dispatched at the office and at what times? How will this be affected by discontinuance? Will a collection box be retained? Will a locked pouch be utilized?

no mail received - no box section no rural carrier / dispatch (M-F) 1740 & 1655 (Sat) by HCR

How many Post Office boxes are installed? 0

How many Post Office boxes are used? 0

What are the window service hours? 08:00 - 12:00 M-F

Closed S

What are the lobby hours? 08:00-12:00 M-F

0 S

9. Have there been recent cases of mail theft or vandalism reported to the postmaster/OIC? Explain.

n/a

Post Office Survey Sheet (continued)

10.	What equipment in the Post Office is not owned by the Postal Service (e.g., Post Office Boxes, furniture, safe)?	
	n/a	
11.	List potential CBU/parcel lockers sites and distances from present Post Office site.	
	n/a	
12.	Are there any special customer needs? (People who cannot read or write, who cannot drive, who have infirmities or physical handicaps, etc.) How can these people be accommodated?	
	n/a	
13.	Rural delivery/HCR delivery.	
a.	What is current evaluation?	43h
b.	Will this change result in the route being overburdened?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	If so, what accommodations will be made to adjust the route?	
c.	How many boxes and miles will be added to the route?	0, box 0.00 Miles
d.	What would be the additional annual expense if the route is increased?	0
e.	What is the one-time cost of CBU/parcel locker installation (if appropriate)?	0
f.	At what time of the day does the carrier begin delivery to the community?	10:00
	Will this delivery time be affected if the office is discontinued? (Y or N)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	If so, how?	0
14.	Are the Post Office box fees at the facility that will provide alternative service different from those at the office to be discontinued? If so, how (Cost)? <input type="checkbox"/> More <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same <input type="checkbox"/> Less	

Community Survey Sheet

Community Survey Sheet

Post Office Name	<u>HOME</u>	ZIP+4	<u>66438-9998</u>
Congressional District	<u>Kansas 1st</u>	Date	<u>03/11/2011</u>

- Incorporated? Yes No
Local government provided by: Marshall County
Police protection provided by: Marshall County Sheriff
Fire protection provided by: Home Volunteer Fire Dept
School location: Marysville KS Public Schools
- What population growth is expected? (Please document your source)
0.00% via USPS zip code demographic report
- What residential, commercial, or business growth is expected? (Please document your source)
n/a
History. (Are there any special historical events related to the community?
Are there any special community events to consider?
Is the Post Office facility a state or national historic landmark (see ASM 515.23)?
Check with the field real estate office when verification is needed.)
n/a
- What is the geographic/economic make-up of the community (e.g., retirees, commuters, self-employed, farmers)?
farm/ag related
- Which nonpostal services are provided by the Post Office (e.g., public bulletin board, school bus stop, community meeting location, voting place, government form distribution center. Do employees of the office offer assistance to senior citizens and handicapped)?
What provisions can be made for these services if the Post Office is discontinued?
none

Highway Contract Route Cost Analysis Form

Highway Contract Route Estimated Cost for Alternative Service			
Office Name:	<u>HOME</u>	District:	<u>CENTRAL PLAINS PFC</u>
Office Zip+4:	<u>66438 -9998</u>		
1.	Enter the number of additional boxes to be added to the route	<u>0</u>	x 3.64 hours per year <u>0.00</u>
2.	Enter the number of additional miles to be added to the route	<u>0.00</u>	x 10.40 hours per year <u>0.00</u>
			Total time added to the route <u>0.00</u>
3.	Enter the HCR hourly rate (Contact Area Manager, Purchasing/Contracting Officer)		<u>0.00</u>
	Total additional compensation (HCR hourly rate x total time added to the route)		<u>0.00</u>

Rural Route Cost Analysis Form

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Rural Route Carrier Estimated Cost for Alternative Replacement Service

Office Name: HOME
 Office Zip+4: 66438 -9998 District: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC

- | | | | |
|----|---|-------------|--|
| 1. | Enter the number of additional boxes to be added to the rural route | <u>0</u> | |
| 2. | Enter the number of additional miles to be added to the route | <u>0.00</u> | |
| | Enter the volume factor | <u>0.00</u> | |

Total (additional boxes x volume factor) 0.00

- | | | | |
|----|---|-------------|------------------------|
| 3. | Enter the number of additional boxes to be added to the rural route | <u>0</u> | |
| | Centralized boxes | <u>0.00</u> | x 1.00 Min <u>0.00</u> |
| | Regular L route boxes | <u>0.00</u> | x 1.82 Min <u>0.00</u> |
| | Regular Non-L route boxes | <u>0.00</u> | x 2.00 Min <u>0.00</u> |

Total additional box allowance 0.00

- | | | | |
|----|---|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| 4. | Enter the number of additional daily miles to be added to the rural route | <u>0.00</u> | x 12 Mileage Standard <u>0.00</u> |
|----|---|-------------|-----------------------------------|

Total additional minutes per week
(miles carried to two decimal places) 0.00

- | | | | |
|----|---|-------------|--------------------------|
| 5. | Total additional annual minutes (additional minutes per week year) | <u>0.00</u> | x 52 Weeks <u>0.00</u> |
| 6. | Total additional annual hours (additional annual minutes/ 60 minutes per hour) | <u>0.00</u> | / 60 Minutes <u>0.00</u> |
| 7. | Enter the rural cost per hour (see national payroll summary report – rural carrier, consolidated) | <u>0.00</u> | |

Total Annual Cost (additional annual hours x rural cost per hour) 0.00

- | | | | |
|----|--|--|-------------|
| 8. | Enter lock pouch allowance (if applicable) | | <u>0.00</u> |
|----|--|--|-------------|

Total annual cost for alternate service (annual cost minus lock pouch allowance) 0.00

U.S. Postal Service POST OFFICE CLOSING OR CONSOLIDATION PROPOSAL Fact Sheet				1. Date Prepared 03/21/2011																								
2. Post Office Name HOME		3. State and ZIP + 4 Code KS, 66438-9998																										
4. District, Customer Service CENTRAL PLAINS PFC	5. Area, Customer Service WESTERN	6. County Marshall	7. Congressional District Kansas 1st																									
8. Reason for Proposal to Discontinue The Postmaster position is vacant. The office has realized a decline in customer demand and work load the last three years.		9. PO Emergency Suspend (Reason and Date) No Suspension		10. Proposed Permanent Alternate Service																								
11. Staffing		12. Hours of Service																										
a. <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PM Vacancy Reason & Date: retired Occupied 01/09/2001 b. <input type="checkbox"/> OIC <input type="checkbox"/> Career <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Career c. Current PM POSITION Level (150)EAS-53 Downgraded from EAS-53 d. No of Clerks- 1 No of Career- 0 No of Non-Career- 1 e. No of Others- 0 No of Career- 0 No of Non-Career- 0		a. Time M-F 08:00 - 12:00 Sat Closed Total Window Hours Per Week a. Lobby Time M-F 08:00-12:00 Sat 0 24.00																										
13. Number of Customers Served		14. Daily Volume (Pieces)																										
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2009		\$ 15,610																										
2010		\$ 14,306																										
15a. Quarters																												
<input type="checkbox"/> Postal Owned <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leased (if Leased, Expiration Date) 02/28/2015 Annual Lease \$ 4550 30-day cancellation clause? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Evicted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if Yes, must vacate by) Located in: <input type="checkbox"/> Business <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Suitable alternate quarters available? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No																												
15b. Explain: 90 day cancellation clause																												
17. Schools, Churches and Organization in Service Area: No: 0 Home Rural Water		19. Administrative/Emanating Office (Proposed): Name MARYSVILLE PO EAS Level 18 Miles Away 7.0 Window Service Hours: M-F 08:30 16:30 SAT 09:00 10:30 Lobby Hours: M-F 24 hour SAT 24 hour PO Boxes Available: 328																										
18. Businesses in Service Area: No: 32 Blue Valley Telemarketing Blue Valley Communications Lewis Seed & Fertilizer Home City Grain Little Haps Grace's Korner Cornerstone Granite Family Home Treasurers Home Interior Decorating & Gifts Mary Kay Consultant Fisher Rock Oliver Transmission Home Insurance Agency R&G Tools Flow Design Tech D&L hay Moorman Dealer - K Koch Hermesch Customer Harvester Don Prell Realtor Stumps Smoke Meats Hawkins Trucking Ag Transport Bossie' Best Longhorn Opportunities D&D Custom Hay Smith Trucking Ketter Construction Spring Creek Ag Regency Cleaning Broxterman Tractor Repair Wassneberg Stump Removal Musil Cleaning Service		20. Nearest Post Office (if different from above): Name MARYSVILLE PO EAS Level 18 Miles Away 7.0 Window Service Hours: M-F 08:30 16:30 SAT 09:00 10:30 Lobby Hours: M-F 24 hour SAT 24 hour PO Boxes Available: 328																										
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Printed Name and Title RON REILLY		Signature RON REILLY		Telephone No. AC () (402) 930-4431																								
PO Discontinuance Coordinator Name LEANN TVRDY		Telephone No. AC () (402) 930-4431		Location OMAHA, NE																								



A. Office

Name: HOME State: KS Zip Code: 66438
Area: WESTERN District: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC
Congressional District: Kansas 1st County: Marshall
EAS Grade: 53 Finance Number: 194235
Post Office: Classified Station Classified Branch CPO

This form is a place holder for number 19. And the verification of new service type is complete.

Prepared by: LeAnn Tvrdy
Title: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC Post Office Review Coordinator
Tele No: (402) 930-4431

Date: 05/05/2011
Fax No: (402) 930-4406



03/28/11

OIC/POSTMASTER

SUBJECT: HOME Post Office

Enclosed are questionnaires addressed to customers of the HOME Post Office. I have also enclosed additional copies of the questionnaires for any retail or other customer who wishes to complete one. Please furnish these questionnaires to retail customers upon request. All completed forms should be forwarded to my office by 04/13/11 for further review.

LeAnn Tvrdy
Post Office Review Coordinator
Enclosures



03/28/2011

POSTAL CUSTOMER
HOME POST OFFICE
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

As the Postal Service manager responsible for all Post Offices in your area, I would like your opinion concerning a possible change in the way your postal service is provided. The recommended change is tentative and will not lead to a formal proposal unless we conclude that it will provide a maximum degree of regular and effective service.

The Postmaster at the Home Post Office retired on 01/09/2001. The Office is being studied for possible closing or consolidation for the following reasons: The Postmaster position is vacant. The office has realized a decline in customer demand and work load the last three years.

Briefly, we would like to provide pickup and delivery of your mail, as well as the sale of stamps and all other customary postal services, by rural route service emanating from the Marysville Post Office.

We estimate that carrier service would cost the Postal Service substantially less than maintaining the Post Office in your community and still provide regular and effective service. Enclosed is information about some of the services available from the carrier. Retail services are also available at the Marysville Post Office, located 7.0 miles away. Hours of service at this office are 08:30 16:30, Monday through Friday, and 09:00 10:30 on Saturday. Post Office box service is available at this location at the same fees.

I invite you to think about a possible change to rural route service. Please return the enclosed questionnaire by 04/07/2011 using the pre-addressed envelope provided or at the community meeting.

You may, of course, want to discuss this form of service with us before drawing any conclusions. Postal representatives will be at the Blue Vally Telecommunications lower level meeting room in Home KS on Thursday, April 07, 2011 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm to answer questions and provide information about our service. You may wish to discuss and submit your questionnaire at that time.

If you have any questions, you may call LeAnn Tvrdy at (402) 930-4431.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500

Enclosures:

Questionnaire and return envelope Summary of Post Office Change Regulations,
Carrier delivery information CBU information sheet (when appropriate)

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DISTRICT MANAGER
Central Plains Performance Cluster



March 29, 2011

The Honorable Tim Huelskamp
House of Representatives
1 N Main St Ste 525
Hutchinson KS 67501-5228

Dear Congressman Huelskamp:

This letter is an informational notice of a Community Meeting to discuss a possible change to postal services currently being provided by the **Home KS** Post Office. You are invited to attend this Community Meeting to be held on **April 7, 2011**, from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the **Blue Valley Telecommunications** lower level meeting room.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Pivovar".

Rick Pivovar
A/District Manager
USPS-Central Plains Performance Cluster

cc: Sam Gonzales, Mgr. Post Office Operations



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

1. Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you use the HOME Post Office for each of the following:

Postal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a. Buying Stamps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Mailing Letters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Mailing Parcels	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Pick up Post Office box mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Pick up general delivery mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Buying money orders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Sending Express Mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. Buying stamp-collecting material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter YES NO

Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:



If you have carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you currently receive Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery service will compare to your current service?

- Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping _____
- Personal needs _____
- Banking _____
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Date: _____

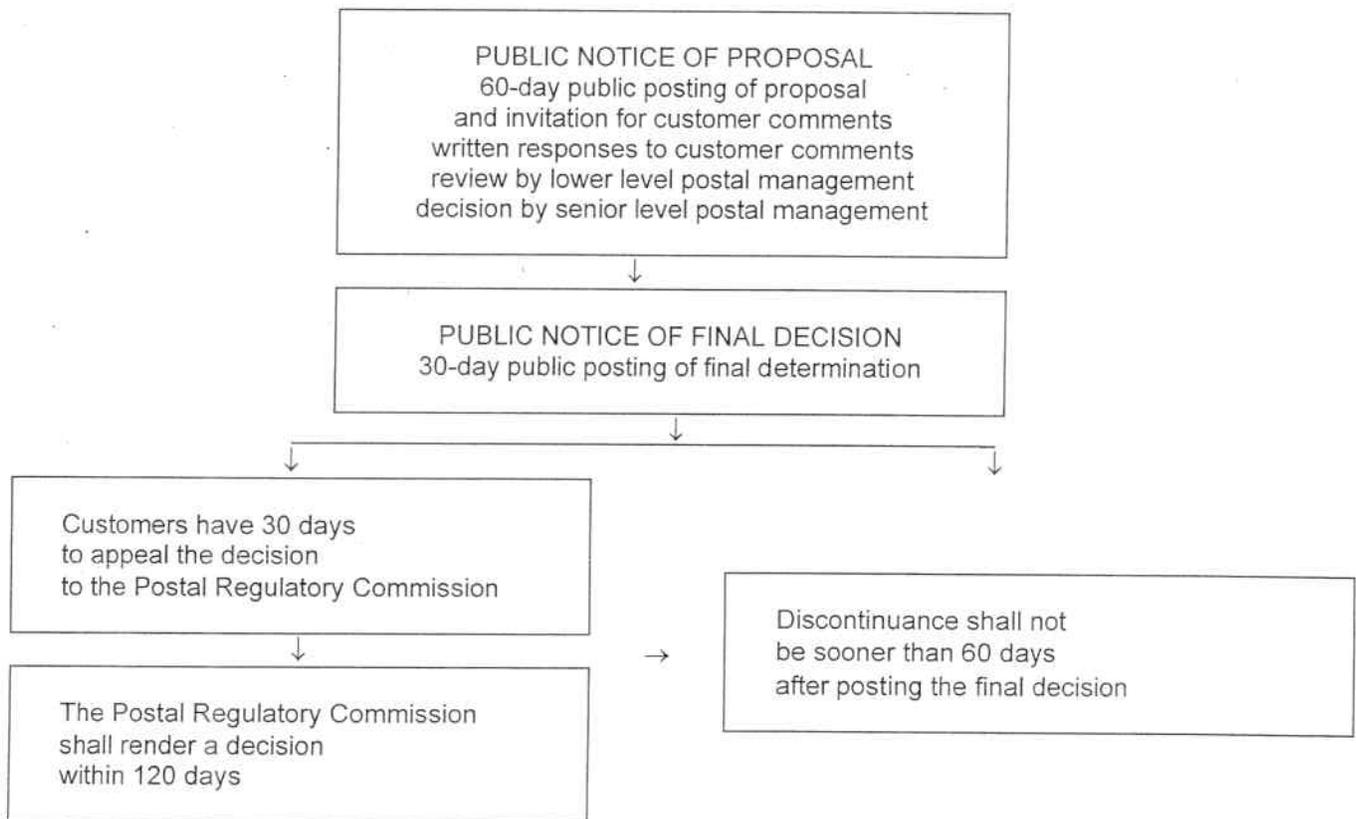
Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

SUMMARY OF POST OFFICE CHANGE REGULATIONS

Certain regulations based on federal law apply when postal managers propose to replace a post office with an alternate form of postal service. These regulations are designed to ensure that the reasons for proposing such changes in postal service are fully disclosed at a stage when customers can make helpful contributions toward a final decision. The full text of the statutory regulations appears in Title 39, United States Code, Section 404(b), while the implementing regulations appear in Title 39, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 241.3.

An initial investigation and any subsequent formal proposal to discontinue a post office originate with postal field managers responsible for post offices in that area. The proposal must explain the services recommended as substitutes and the rationale that supports this recommendation. The written proposal is prominently posted for 60 days at affected post offices, along with an "Invitation for Comments," which formally invites customer comments. At the end of the 60-day comment period, additional review is made at lower and upper levels of postal management.

When a final decision is made at Postal Headquarters in Washington, DC, that decision is posted in affected post offices for 30 days, during which customers may appeal the decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission in Washington, DC. The Postal Regulatory Commission has 120 days to consider and decide an appeal. Even without an appeal, no post office may be closed sooner than 60 days after the public posting of the final decision.





POST OFFICE ON WHEELS SERVICES AVAILABLE FROM RURAL AND HIGHWAY CONTRACT ROUTE CARRIERS

You can eliminate almost all trips to the Post Office, because doing business with the Postal Service is as close as your mailbox. The carrier can provide virtually all postal services to you, and most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Some of the most frequently used services are:

MAILING PACKAGES

Carriers will accept packages at the mailbox without a customer being present, provided the postage is fully prepaid, and the customer is known to reside or conduct business at that collection point. The package **MUST** have a matching return address that is the same as the collection point. If postage has not been applied, estimate the amount of postage needed and leave the money in the mailbox. If insurance is desired, the value of the contents must be specified. The carrier will take the package to the Post Office, and it will be weighed to determine the appropriate rate. The package will be mailed that same day. The carrier will leave the customer's change and insurance receipt, if appropriate, in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL

The Stamps by Mail program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, *Stamp Purchase Order (Rural)*, available from the Post Office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp-collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the United States Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the Post Office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Special services such as Certified, Registered, Express Mail, Delivery Confirmation, Signature Confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the Post Office during their absence. Upon return, the customer asks the Post Office to resume delivery.



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

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d. Pick up Post Office box mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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f. Buying money orders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Sending Express Mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i. Buying stamp-collecting material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings: YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter: YES NO

Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms): YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop: YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.: YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board: YES NO
- e. Other: YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

Shopping

Personal needs

Banking

Employment

Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Date:

4-1-2011

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Address:

Telephone:

Date:

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Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: DAVID A. Wallschleger

Address: 1404 19th RD Home Ks 66438

Telephone: 785-562-6873

Date: April 4 2011

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06/22/2011

DAVID A WULLSCHLEGER

1404 19TH ROAD
HOME, KS 66438

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Sincerely,

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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Nonpostal Services

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- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

More convenient
and some of the locals utilize Home vs Maryville

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

One member of household travels - one does not

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- Shopping Manhattan; Topeka; Lincoln, KC
- Personal needs Manhattan, Topeka; Lincoln; KC;
- Banking Marysville
- Employment Marshall County
- Social needs Home; Manhattan, Topeka, Lincoln, KC; Various other places

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Theresa J Spellmeier

Address: 108 3rd St

Telephone: 785-562-7348 cell

Date: 4/15/2011

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06/22/2011

THERESA SPELLMEIER

108 - 3RD ST
HOME, KS 66438

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Nonpostal Services

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- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
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If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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- Shopping Manville, Ka. Bertrise, Nf. Manhattan, Ka
- Personal needs Manville, Ka
- Banking Manville, Ka
- Employment _____
- Social needs Manville, Ka.

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Henry Brockman

Address: 108 1st, Home, Ka

Telephone: 785 - 799 - 3395

Date: 3-30-2011

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06/22/2011

HENRY BROCKMAN
108 1ST ST
HOME, KS 66438

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6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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If yes, please explain:

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- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

I work in Marysville + live closely to Frankfort so use those more often

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- Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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- Shopping only occasionally - I also shop online
- Personal needs
- Banking
- Employment
- Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

Name: Chad + Jody Ketter

Address: 11651 17th Rd Home, KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3344

Date: 4-4-11

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06/22/2011

CHAD & JODY KETTER

1651 - 17 RD
HOME, KS 66438

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Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Chris Millerbrunch

Address: 1452 Navajo Rd Home KS 66438

Telephone: (785) 562-8432

Date: 4/1/11

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06/22/2011

CHRIS MILLENBRANCH

1452 NAVAJO RD
HOME, KS 66438

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f. Buying money orders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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i. Buying stamp-collecting material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter YES NO

Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO

- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

If you previously received carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you previously received Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery or PO Box service will compare to your previous service?

Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping _____
- Personal needs _____
- Banking _____
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Geraldine L. Schwarz

Address: 1223 18th Road, Home, KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3594

Date: April 4, 2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



06/22/2011

GERALDINE SCHURZ

1223 - 18 RD
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

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Sincerely,

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

1. Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you used the HOME Post Office for each of the following:

Postal Services

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a. Buying Stamps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Mailing Letters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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d. Pick up Post Office box mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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f. Buying money orders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter YES NO

Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO

- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

If you previously received carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you previously received Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery or PO Box service will compare to your previous service?

Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

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- Shopping _____
- Personal needs _____
- Banking _____
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Sarah Koch

Address: 1044 17th Rd Home

Telephone: (785) 799-3727

Date: 4/4/11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



06/22/2011

SARAH KOCH
1044 - 17 RD
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

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Sincerely,

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

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Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

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- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO

- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

Marysville P.O.

If you previously received carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you previously received Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery or PO Box service will compare to your previous service?

Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

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- Shopping
- Personal needs
- Banking
- Employment
- Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: John AUGUSTUS

Address: 1299 19th Terrace Home KS

Telephone: 785-353-2312

Date: 3-30-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



06/22/2011

JOHN AUGUSTUS
1299 - 19 TERRACE
HOME, KS 66438

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Sincerely,

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

1. Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you used the HOME Post Office for each of the following:

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Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

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- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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- Shopping _____
- Personal needs _____
- Banking _____
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Lynn + Tracy Wassenberg

Address: 806 16th Rd

Telephone: 785-799-3743

Date: 4/4/11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

Please consider leaving our post office open. It is a main focal point of our small community + would cause a hardship for us all.



06/22/2011

LYNN & TRACY WASSENBERG

806 - 16 RD
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about the detrimental effect the loss of the post office would have on the community. Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided to the suspended Post Office community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Questionnaire responses revealed that customers will continue to use local businesses if the post office is discontinued.

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6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

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- Personal needs _____
- Banking _____
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name:

John Shum

Address:

306 N Oak

Telephone:

785-799-3564

Date:

April 4, 2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



06/22/2011

JOHN SHUM
306 N OAK
HOME, KS 66438

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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Other Postal Services

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If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO

- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

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If yes, please explain:

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping MARYSVILLE
- Personal needs ''
- Banking ''
- Employment
- Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Richard Weber

Address: 101 3rd ST. HOME, KS.

Telephone: 785-799-3738

Date: 04/03/11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



06/22/2011

RICHARD WEBER

101 - 3RD ST
HOME, KS 66438

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO

- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping Orschel's
Walmart on East side of Marysville (Do not pass P.O.)
- Personal needs
- Banking Citizens State Bank ^{Marysville} once ^{or twice} a month (I use the postal service near daily)
- Employment
- Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

As a rural patron I will still need seed, fertilizer, and feed. However, my trip to the P.O. usually means a meal also. That probably won't happen.

Name: Ronald Schmitz

Address: 1778 Limestone Rd, Home, Ks 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3581

Date: 5 April, 2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

As a farmer, stockman I don't travel to Marysville, a 10 mile trip, every day. As for shopping we usually do most of it on the weekends. This does not coincide with P.O. hours in Marysville.

As for leaving money in my mailbox, it's not going to happen, unless the Postal Department can guarantee me, in writing there won't be any theft, and if there is, I will be reimbursed. My mailbox is nearly 1/4 mile from my house. If I mail a package, that won't fit in my box, how do I know how much postage, and is insured if stolen

When meeting the carrier at the box, I won't know within 2-3 hours when he'll be by, because of business along the route and the arrival of mail from Topeka (or other)

Post Office Comments Cont'd

If we are to purchase money orders, how are we supposed to know what the fee is, and are we to keep all forms at our residences? If we prefer to have the completed money orders returned for verification on the next delivery day, we just turned a 15 minute trip to the P.O. into a 3 day ordeal, by the time we meet the carrier the 1st day, have it returned the 2nd day, and it's picked up the 3rd day.

As for special services, how are we to know what we want or need, if it's something out of the ordinary, as well as what it will cost.

I hope you can see, that closing our P.O. would create a serious hardship on all Home, Kansas patrons!! When we had a parade for Home's 125th celebration, the lady at the P.O. put a wonderful, homemade float that said, "The Post Office is the ♥ of Home!" We all feel that says it all!

Thank You for listening

Ronald Schmitz



06/22/2011

RONALD SCHMITZ
1778 LIMESTONE RD
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier, retail services provided at the post office are available from the carrier. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience. Listed below are some services available from the carrier and how to obtain them.

PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL

The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase Order (Rural), available from the post office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the post office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Special services such as certified, registered, Express Mail, delivery confirmation, signature confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the post office during their absence. Upon return the customer asks the post office to resume delivery.

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Sincerely,

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

1. Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you used the HOME Post Office for each of the following:

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b. Mailing Letters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Mailing Parcels	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Pick up Post Office box mail <i>Not Offered</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Pick up general delivery mail <i>Not Offered</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Buying money orders <i>Sometimes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation <i>Sometimes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Sending Express Mail <i>Not often</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. Buying stamp-collecting material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter YES NO

Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

If you previously received carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you previously received Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery or PO Box service will compare to your previous service?

- Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping Groceries
- Personal needs
- Banking
- Employment
- Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

These questions can have two meanings

Name: Kenneth Koch

Address: 1794 Pony Express Hwy Home Ks 66438

Telephone: _____

Date: April 7 2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

In your information that you mailed out you said we could mail packages from or mailboxes.

1. We have No way to weight the packages.

2. What the different ways there are to mail a package.

3. No forms to fill out for:

A. insurance

B. certified

C. or any charts for the charges we need.

4. If package is too large for mailbox, will carrier be able to come to the house and pick it up.

A. Is carrier going to be able to tell us what charges and different ways to mail.

B. Is it going to be done in his "office" by him, a clerk or the postmaster in Marysville? How is that going to save the postal money when they already are getting higher wages than here at Home Post Office.

C. If carrier does the figuring, is it going to delay the mail to be delivered?

D. If you don't have enough money in box for the package will you send the package on or will you wait to collect the money. Again no way to figure out the cost from the customer's side and they have No information and you don't know how they want it mailed.

E. If I have to stand outside and wait for the carrier to come, I'm wasting a lot of my time!!!!!!

F. I have to cross a busy highway to get my mail. 36 is a busy highway with a lot of semis. In summer it is farmers with big equipment and tourists. When the trains are going through it backs up traffic for sometime. In bad weather it is dangerous because of the strip that they put down the middle. The groves are deeper and one can twist an ankle very easily and ice makes it worse. That is one reason all mailboxes should be on the side of the road where the house is.

D. Any Special Services you have we will not be aware of or have a chart to tell us how much it will cost. For the customer it will mean a long distant phone call or extra mileage.

II. You said stamps can be purchased from the carrier.

A. If so why hasn't the carrier been allowed to get the stamps from the Home Post Office so it gets the credit. His route is suppose to have 141 customers so that should be a lot of revenue if stamps are purchased here.

B. I like to buy my stamps at the office so I can see all the different stamps that are made. Some I don't like.

III. Buying a money order.

A. Again there is no set time when carrier comes and whose going to wait. I won't leave money in my box because our box gets destroyed especially in winter time when the state trucks go by removing the ice, and if people know you're leaving money in box, I think it won't be long and it will start disappearing. Also some people have long lanes to get to their mailboxes so waiting and seeing when the carrier is coming is a problem.

IV. Holding Mail

That has not been an option for the Home Post Office since the 1990's. They were told it was not safe in that office. It was put in the safe at night when it could be held. Where do they keep it in Marysville? In the sorting box for Safe? Having our mail held is a problem at times. Sometimes we want to leave in short notice or need a piece of mail for business reasons. They don't like you to call and hold that mail saying they need a form filled out. Our business mail reason was once but they didn't like it. If you do leave on vacation and get back early, again you have to call and wait a day or drive the extra miles.

All these items you have mentioned is suppose to be "SERVICE" to your customers, but the postal system has forgotten the word Service. For the Senior Citizens it is going to be inconvenient and confusing. We all live on a budget. I'm afraid you will have people using less of your services. I for one will NOT use the computer to do my business.

I would like to see longer hours for the post office. Open during noon hour when people come to eat could save a trip and help other business besides the post office.



06/22/2011

KENNETH KOCH

1794 PONY EXPRESS HIGHWAY
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day.

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Nonpostal Services

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- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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- Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain: _____

For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping not available in Home except for 1 store, occasionally Maysville, mostly larger cities
- Personal needs Maysville, online - not available in Home
- Banking Maysville, online - not available in Home
- Employment Maysville, not available in Home
- Social needs Little Hays in Home, many other places

these questions are stupid!

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

Name: Linda Weber

Address: 102 2nd St, Home, KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3596 785-562-5363 (work)

Date: 4-7-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

I don't think where our daily life ^{takes place} has anything to do with the convenience of having a local post office. When these small post offices are closed & the addresses have to be changed by the zip code being tied to the new post office, it causes nothing but mailing problems for the people in the small towns.

As County Treasurer I see these problems all the time. With similar or exact addresses in these "Combined" towns, our computerized world cannot sort out the proper mailing destination. We have our taxpayers failing to receive needed correspondence all the time, such as vehicle registration renewals or driver's license renewal reminders. Perhaps they would not receive an advance ballot mailed to them, thus denying their voting rights.

In my office we have had many problems with official documents being delivered such as tax statements or receipts because of the computer sorting machines & some small item not exact on the address. We have asked for help & guidance in correcting addresses but can't receive it because of privacy issues. Bigger is not always better!

Keep our small post offices & our zip codes alone! Our computer programs do not accept the zip code without changing the town's name, therein causing multiple problems!

Linda Weber



06/22/2011

LINDA WEBER
102 - 2ND ST
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about misdelivered mail. The concern about misdelivery has been brought to the attention of the administrative postmaster. The Postal Service regrets any inconvenience that customers have experienced because of misdelivery. We consider misdelivered mail a very serious problem and appreciate when customers report this to us since it provides an opportunity to take corrective action.

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Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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If yes, please explain:

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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- Shopping some
- Personal needs
- Banking
- Employment
- Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Jim Schramm

Address: 208 Second

Telephone: 799-3321

Date: 4-7-11

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06/22/2011

JIM SCHRAMM
208 - 2ND ST
HOME, KS 66438

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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- Shopping _____
- Personal needs _____
- Banking _____
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name:

Janet Harris - owner Decorating by Janet

Address:

203 N. Maple - Home 1/2

Telephone:

785-799-3226 Evenings

Date:

4/2/2011

Home + Garden
Displayer/
Decorator

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

As a small business owner, I count on our local post office for business reasons. Without our Home City P.O., I will not stay in business.



06/22/2011

JANET HARMS
203 N MAPLE
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about the detrimental effect the loss of the post office would have on the community. Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided to the suspended Post Office community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Questionnaire responses revealed that customers will continue to use local businesses if the post office is discontinued.

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- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

Name: Paula Brown

Address: 1662 Limestone Rd, Home, KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3587

Date: 4/7/11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

I use the Home City post office for my home based business. I mail all packages, large envelopes, and regular mail there. I have used the Mansville Post office however there are often lines and they are closed from 11-12 which is inconvenient. The Home City post office saves me from having to drive 9 miles to mail my packages, and another 9 miles back to my office.



06/22/2011

*Pada Brown
1662 Limestone Rd
Home Ks 66438*

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In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about the waiting time at the administrative Post Office. The administrative Post Office serves a much larger community and has a heavier retail window workload. This concern has been brought to the attention of the administrative postmaster so she can monitor window operations and ensure that customers do not have an unreasonable wait to obtain services. The carrier can provide retail services, alleviating the need for customers to go to the post office for service.

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If yes, please explain:

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- Shopping Marysville
- Personal needs Marysville
- Banking Marysville
- Employment self employed
- Social needs Home City

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

Name: Wesley Johnson

Address: 1576 Navajo Rd.

Telephone: 785-999-3554

Date: 4-7-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



06/22/2011

WESLEY JOHNSON

1576 NAVJO RD
HOME, KS 66438

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Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

1. Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you used the HOME Post Office for each of the following:

Postal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a. Buying Stamps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Mailing Letters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Mailing Parcels	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Pick up Post Office box mail	<i>can't do at this office</i>			
e. Pick up general delivery mail	<i>can't do at this office</i>			
f. Buying money orders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Sending Express Mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. Buying stamp-collecting material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter YES NO

Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

If you previously received carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you previously received Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery or PO Box service will compare to your previous service?

- Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping _____
- Personal needs _____
- Banking _____
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

Name: Brad Koch

Address: 109 N Oak Home KS 66436

Telephone: 799 - 3363

Date: 4-15-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



06/22/2011

BRAD KOCH
109 N OAK
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

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Sincerely,

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter YES NO

Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop *happens at the school* YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO

- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain: *To visit with other customers & check bulletin board*

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

If you previously received carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you previously received Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery or PO Box service will compare to your previous service?

- Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain: *I'm on a route and the service I receive isn't the best. Unreliable delivery times, notes in box from carrier that are uncorrected. I receive mail that isn't mine and my mail goes to other people.*

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services? *putting more people on the route but going to improve this*

- Shopping _____
 Personal needs *We have no Dr or Dentist* _____
 Banking _____
 Employment _____
 Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

maybe if they are still in business. Closing the Post Office is going to affect all businesses in town

Name:

Harlo Hemench

Address:

217 Hwy 99

Telephone:

785-244-6560

Date:

04-12-11

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06/22/2011

HARLO HEHNERICHS

217 HWY 99
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about the detrimental effect the loss of the post office would have on the community. Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided to the suspended Post Office community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Questionnaire responses revealed that customers will continue to use local businesses if the post office is discontinued.

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SAMUEL GONZALES
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6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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If yes, please explain:

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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- Shopping Marysville
- Personal needs Marysville
- Banking Marysville
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Grace & Bob Grable

Address: 201 3rd Home, KS, 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3728

Date: 3/30/2011

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06/22/2011

GRACE & BOB GRABLE

201 - 3RD ST
HOME, KS 66438

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

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- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping Home & Marysville
- Personal needs gas station, fertilizer, Cafe, Post office
- Banking None here
- Employment was employed here (Home) for 53 yrs + husband both retired now
- Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Bessie Shum

Address: 304 N. Oak

Home KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3733

Date: 4-1-2011

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please please leave Home PO open & alive



06/22/2011

BESSIE SHUM
304 N OAK
HOME, KS 66438

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SAMUEL GONZALES
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6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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Nonpostal Services

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If yes, please explain:

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Better

Just as Good

No Opinion

Worse

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Shopping

Personal needs

Banking

Employment

Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Kurt + Teresa McMillan

Address: 889 16th Rd. Home, KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-5754

Date: 4-1-11

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06/22/2011

KURT & TERESA MCMILLAN

889 16 RD
HOME, KS 66438

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Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

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- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO?

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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No Opinion

Worse

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Shopping

Personal needs

Banking

Employment

Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name:

 Du Wayne Hill

Address:

 205 2nd st Home, Kansas 66438

Telephone:

 799-3593

Date:

 3-30-11

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06/22/2011

DUWAYNE HILL

205 - 2ND ST
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day.

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6005 Lockheed Court
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- Shopping Marysville, Seneca, Beatrice, Hanover
- Personal needs " " " "
- Banking Marysville
- Employment Marysville
- Social needs Marysville, Hanover, Seneca

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Arnell Wilkin

Address: 204 N Oak St., Home, Ks.

Telephone: 785-799-3118

Date: 3.30-11

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06/22/2011

ARDELL WILKIE
204 N OAK ST
HOME, KS 66438

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If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO

- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

At Marysville KS

3. If you previously received carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you previously received Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery or PO Box service will compare to your previous service?

Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Shopping	At Marysville Ks	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Personal needs	"	"
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Banking	"	"
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Employment	"	"
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Social needs	"	"

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Larry J. Wassenberg

Address: 1740 Eagle Rd Home Ks 66438

Telephone: 785-353-2365

Date: 3-31-11

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06/22/2011

LARRY J WASSENBERG

1740 EAGLE RD
HOME, KS 66438

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Sincerely,

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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Not Available
Not Available

Ever so often

Don't collect stamps

Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter YES NO

Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO

- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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- Personal needs _____
- Banking No Bank Available In Home
- Employment - Home Employs over 100 people,
- Social needs v

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No - Not a fair question

Name: David Rowe

Address: 1759 Limestone

Telephone: _____

Date: March 31, 2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

Home is a Rural Farming and cattle community we do have a place to purchase fertilizers and chemicals to plant our crops and a elevator to haul our crops when they are harvested to help feed the world. Being rural we don't ~~we~~ have the option or opportunities that larger cities do. Being rural you learn from childhood on to make due with what you have.

Farm families do not make trips to other towns every day to do business. We are fortunate to have a post office in Home to conduct business. Due to changing times people in this area do not leave money in the mailbox like old days. The mail is not delivered at the same time each day due to the volume of mail and when it is dispatched out of Topeka. I am not going to stand by my mail box to mail a package if the route carrier is due by 10:15 and don't show up till noon. Again for safety reasons you don't leave a package hanging on your mail box or money in the box for the carrier to pickup when you can go to Home Post Office and get it taken care of and back home to do the things I need to do as my job of farming and raising cattle is my occupation. The postal system is not saving money by having the carrier take on more responsibilities with the extra services and the extra time it will take. As an individual I want to see the extra services provided in my presence so I know it is taken care of.

To take the Post Office out of Home would hurt the community. In Home alone at least 30% of the people are Senior Citizens and that does not include the community that have mailing addresses of Home Kansas

Daryl Row



06/22/2011

DARREL ROWE
1759 LIMESTONE
HOME, KS 66438

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter YES NO

Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

hid in Marysville go by when coming to work

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping _____
- Personal needs _____
- Banking _____
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Kelly Schoedel - Family Home Treasures

Address: 210 3rd St. Home, KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3718

Date: 3/31/2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

Post Office in Home is very convenient for our business. We do online orders & send through the post office. Just walk down the street to find out how much to charge for postage. We would miss the post office in Home.



06/22/2011

KELLY SCHROEDL DBA FAMILY HOME TREASURES

210 - 3 RD ST
HOME, KS 66438

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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- Shopping Ingers, when at My daughters - or at daughter in KC or Des Moines, IA
- Personal needs
- Banking Des Moines, IA - Marysville
- Employment
- Social needs Evening school functions, Doctors, Medicine

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name:

Mary Richardson

Address:

1463 Matata Rd

Telephone:

Date:

3-31-2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

I live alone now and would be inconvenient to not have the Post office in town. KSas I ship in some BS for gas, daily & weekly papers, Restaurant (Little Haps), Fire repair, Seed Store & elevator. Do not go into Marysville very often. It would be very inconvenient to have to drive the 9 1/2 miles in to Marysville if I needed to mail a pkg. I live about 1/4 mile from my mailbox and cannot meet the mailman - Leaving money is not a safe idea out in this ^{rural} area and I like to pick out my stamps design.



06/22/2011

MARY RICHARDSON
1463 MATADA RD
HOME, KS 66438

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Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

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- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO

- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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- Personal needs _____
- Banking _____
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name:

Home City Grain

Address:

200 Elm Home Ks 66438

Telephone:

785-799-3326

Date:

3-30-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

We are one of the few businesses that Home still has. We are open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We use the post office on a regular basis to buy stamps, and mail whatever needs to be mailed.

To have to go to Marysville for our postal needs would be a real imposition to our business. We have a small work force, so sending someone to town, instead of walking the one block to the post office, would be taking someone away from work they need to be doing. Also, with the price of gas going higher every day, it would be a waste of money for us.

I realize we can buy stamps from our rural carrier, but the service provided by our local post office is far more convenient to us than to have to let him know what we need and receive it the next day. I use their scale on a regular basis to know how much postage to put on the materials we send out.

On a personal level, I work longer hours than the post office in Marysville is even open. Once again, it is an inconvenience to me, plus the gas it takes, to have to go to Marysville on my lunch break to take care of my postal needs.

I feel keeping our post office open is definitely a benefit to our small community. I am hoping you will agree.

Thank you for your time.

Home City Grain

Kaye Lynn Kroeger, bookkeeper



06/22/2011

HOME CITY GRAIN

200 ELM
HOME, KS 66438

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Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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Buy a roll - 6 to 8 rolls

Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter YES NO

Nonpostal Services

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If yes, please explain:

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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- Shopping Maussville, Topeka
- Personal needs Maussville Topeka
- Banking Maussville Topeka
- Employment Self-Farming
- Social needs Maussville, Beattie, Topeka

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: HD Willschlegel

Address: 1349 17th Rd, Home, KS 66438-9028

Telephone: 785-799-3392

Date: 3/30/2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

will you keep the outside mail box?



06/22/2011

H D WULLSCHLEGAR

1349 - 17 RD
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about the collection of outgoing mail. Collection of mail will be made by the carrier when serving the route. The customer should raise the flag on the mailbox to alert the carrier that outgoing mail is to be collected from the mailbox.

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5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Ruth Thomas

Address: 206 3rd St. Home, KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3119

Date: 3-30-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

I use this postoffice for any kind of mailings —



06/22/2011

RUTH THOMAS

206 - 3RD ST
HOME, KS 66438

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Sincerely,

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

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Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
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Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

YES NO

If yes, please explain:

Our primary Post Office is located in Marysville, KS

If you previously received carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you previously received Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery or PO Box service will compare to your previous service?

Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain: We have a wonderful Postal Carrier!
At all the way — Keep up the Good Work!!

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping Wal-Mart / Dunkin' / Dollar General
- Personal needs ↗
- Banking Marysville / Beattie
- Employment Currently looking for employment
- Social needs Marysville

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Wesley and Carrie Worthington

Address: 1509 Quail Road Home, KS 66438

Telephone: 785-713-1713 (Cell Phone)

Date: March 30, 2011

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06/22/2011

WESLEY & CARRIER WORTHINGTON

1509 QUAIL ROAD
, 66437

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If yes, please explain:

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- Shopping Marysville
- Personal needs u
- Banking u
- Employment u
- Social needs u

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Wilbur + Debbie Johnson

Address: 302 Mcloy St. Home KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3735

Date: 3-30-2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



06/22/2011

WILBUR & DEBBIE JOHNSON
302 MCCOY ST
HOME, KS 66438

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Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

The use it once in a while

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

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If yes, please explain:

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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- Shopping Marysville
- Personal needs "
- Banking "
- Employment Retired
- Social needs Marysville

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Eldred Smith

Address: 1822 Deertrail Rd

Telephone: 785-744-3527

Date: 3-31-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

*A lot of people may use it as they have business that use it
Oreto is as bad only not as many business as in town*



06/22/2011

ELDRED SMITH
1822 DEERTRAIL RD
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You asked why the suspended post office was being discontinued while others were retained. Post offices are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. When there is a vacancy in a small office, it is customary to conduct a study of the business activity and investigate the feasibility of providing service by alternate means.

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Marysville KS

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- Personal needs _____
- Banking Marysville, KS
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Craig Spellmeier

Address: 106 3rd St Home, KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3746

Date: 3/30/11

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CRAIG SPELLMEIER

106 - 3RD ST
HOME, KS 66438

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If yes, please explain:

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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- Shopping To Maupsville - We buy gas, use the repair man at Home
- Personal needs TO Maupsville, Ks.
- Banking To Maupsville, Ks.
- Employment we both are on disability so we don't work
- Social needs to Maupsville, Ks. for church

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

gas station, Repairman, Lewis feed to pay water bill - No grocery store

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name:

Larry + Betty Raul

Address:

107 3rd Street Home, Ks 66438-9743

Telephone:

785-799-3232

Date:

March 31, 2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

When we go to church we usually do all our shopping like groceries + WM do it. We are on a limited income so we are conservative. Once a month we go to Maupsville for banking that is not open on Sundays. When we both worked in Maupsville for 17 years we weren't able to use the Home P.O. since it was only open in the morning. We got used to doing our P.O. Business in Maupsville so it was hard for us to change over. We have only been on disability a few months so it is a new change. The P.O. has been here along time + this decision is a difficult one. We will be fine with which ever decision. Our mail carrier - Doug Clover is super good.



06/22/2011

LARRY & BETTY RAUB

107 - 3RD ST
HOME, KS 66438

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- Shopping Marysville Kansas
- Personal needs Marysville Kansas
- Banking Marysville Kansas
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

Name: Clarence Spellmeyer

Address: 104 1/2 3rd St Home Kansas 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3353

Date: 3-31-11

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06/22/2011

CLARENCE SPELLMEIER

106 1/2 - 3RD ST
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If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
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If yes, please explain:

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Better

Just as Good

No Opinion

Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping Home City, Marysville, Beatrice
- Personal needs '' ''
- Banking Marysville
- Employment Marysville
- Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Nancy Gallo

Address: 103 S Lincoln Home KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3785

Date: 3/3/11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

3-31-11

I have lived in Home for nearly 12 yrs now. I believe that is because of great people who go above and beyond. I wouldn't say more about the staff at the Home P.O. and the mail carriers here.

They go out of their way to help you, always pleasant. I don't find this at the Marysville P.O.

I work from 8:30-5 pm. With the P.O. in Home being open at 8am, it is very convenient for me to purchase stamps, money orders, mail packages etc when only absolutely necessary, and I can avoid on one hand I have gone to Marysville P.O. I have waited from 10-12 minutes after standing in a long line during my 30 minute lunch, with only 1 person at the window.

My current carrier Doug is exceptional. When I receive a package he will put a note in my mail box as to where he left the package, so that I don't have to get it in Marysville and wait on line.

How is it possible with my work schedule to mail packages and purchase money orders by being present and waiting for the mail carrier at my mail box. For me it would be more convenient to not mail boxes and to purchase money orders from my bank, also I don't like leaving money in my mail box, I have been here 12 years and have never done it. I realize that



06/22/2011

Nancy Gallo
109 S Lincoln
Home Rs 66438

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In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about the waiting time at the administrative Post Office. The administrative Post Office serves a much larger community and has a heavier retail window workload. This concern has been brought to the attention of the administrative postmaster so she can monitor window operations and ensure that customers do not have an unreasonable wait to obtain services. The carrier can provide retail services, alleviating the need for customers to go to the post office for service.

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Sincerely,

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

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c. Mailing Parcels	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Pick up Post Office box mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Pick up general delivery mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Buying money orders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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i. Buying stamp-collecting material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter YES NO

Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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Better

Just as Good

No Opinion

Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

Shopping

Personal needs

Banking

Employment

Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Quentin McMillan

Address: 1516 Matador Rd. Home 66438

Telephone: (785) 799-~~379~~ 3565

Date: 4-1-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



06/22/2011

QUENTIN MCMILLAN
1516 MATADOR RD
HOME, KS 66438

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6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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Other Postal Services

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping Lincoln, NE
- Personal needs
- Banking marysville
- Employment
- Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Little Haps Bar & Grill

Address: 211 2nd st. Home, KS 66438

Telephone: 785 799 9920

Date: 3-31-11

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06/22/2011

LITTLE HAPS BAR & GRILL

211 - 2 ST
HOME, KS 66438

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Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

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- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping manhattan
- Personal needs
- Banking marysville
- Employment
- Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Scott Day

Address: 1505 Jayhawk Rd Home, KS 66438

Telephone: 785 799 3434

Date: 3-31-11

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06/22/2011

SCOTT DAY
1505 JAYHAWK RD
HOME, KS 66438

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SAMUEL GONZALES
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6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

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Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

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If yes, please explain:

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- e. Other YES NO

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If yes, please explain:

Marysville PO

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Better

Just as Good

No Opinion

Worse

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- Shopping Marypville
- Personal needs Marypville
- Banking Marypville
- Employment _____
- Social needs Marypville

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Faith Eppens

Address: 101 S. Elm St

Telephone: (785) 799-3720

Date: 3/30/11

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06/22/2011

FAITH EPPENS
101 S ELM ST
HOME, KS 66438

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Carrier picks up @ my mail box.

Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

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If yes, please explain:

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- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

@ Marysville, Frankfort, & Beattie, Ks.

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|-------------------------------------|----------------|--|---|---|---|
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Personal needs | " | " | " | " |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Banking | " | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Employment | (farm supplies) Marysville & Beatrice, Ks. | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Social needs | " | " | " | " |

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No *Beatrice, (others mentioned above)*

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Ronald & Tamar & Mathew Haller

Address: 102 1st St. ; Home Ks

Telephone: _____

Date: 3-31-2011

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06/22/2011

RONALD/TAMAR/MATHEW HALLER

102 - 1ST ST
HOME, KS 66438

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- Shopping Marysville, KS.
- Personal needs " "
- Banking " "
- Employment None, KS.
- Social needs None, Frankfort, Beattie, Marysville

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

Name:

Gym Narverkamp

Address:

1840 Jayhawk Rd. None, KS 66438

Telephone:

785-799-3739

Date:

April 18th/2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



06/22/2011

LYNN HAVERKAMP
1840 JAYHAWK RD
HOME, KS 66438

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500

April 15, 2011 ✓

Dear *Dorothy Bryan*

It is my understanding that 24 post offices will be closed in Kansas in an effort to save money. I recently attended a meeting to discuss the closing of the post office at Home, KS (also known as Home City, KS). I listened as the speaker explained why that post office should be closed and listened as he answered our questions. However, I do not understand why our post office must be closed and those of Oketo, Baileyville, and ~~Berlin~~ will remain open. Those towns are dying and have no real hope of growing. Our town of Home, KS is a growing and active community with a rich history and a unique name.

We were told at the meeting that a two-week study was conducted to track the volume of mail going through the Home City post office. The two weeks were the last week of February and the first week of March, which were undoubtedly weeks of some of the lowest volumes of mail. There is a lull for the businesses at that time, it is cold weather so the farms are less active, and there is less mail between holidays. Even though the outlying areas have a Home City address, their mail going from rural mailboxes does not add in the count, nor does mail put in the mailbox outside the post office in Home City! It appears the study and the statistics gathered were not a true picture of the volume of mail that goes through the area post office.

Earlier I mentioned that the Home City community is a growing and active community. Every house in Home City is occupied. Four new businesses have come to town since the sewers were added. Those businesses include Fisher's Rock, which does business in the 50 states and Canada, started in 2000; Oliver Transmission, began in 1999; Cornerstone Granite, with a service area of a 60-mile radius, opened in 2002; and Family Home Treasures, which does business in Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts, opened in 2007. These businesses need to have the availability of a post office nearby. It was a handicap when the post office dropped the overnight delivery and now they are worried the post office will be taken out entirely.

J. and S. service opened about six months ago in an existing building and a new fire station is being built.

Blue Valley Tele-Communications office is located in Home City and employs 90 people. It has its own satellite company, hi-speed internet, cable company, cell phone company, and covers 10 telephone exchanges. It is at the cutting edge of communication technology and is sending out bills receiving payments as well as other communications daily through the U.S. mail.

Continuing businesses include the Lewis Seed and Fertilizer business which started over 100 years ago and continues to thrive and serve the farmers in a 30 mile radius. Little Haps serves a larger community with a radius of 50-60 miles, Grace's Corner is a gas station serving drivers from across the country.

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All of the above businesses, the old and the new, have a need to mail out bills, send out advertising, receive payments, order supplies, and conduct other business through the use of the U.S. Mail. The city has a rich and unique history, and the town has a unique name. Are there any other towns or cities in this nation named "Home"?

Last year our town celebrated its 125th anniversary. People came from surrounding areas, the streets were flooded with people attending the activities and watching the lengthy parade. In the parade we saw the float decorated in honor of the Home, KS post office. A large sign on the side stated, "The town's heart is the Post Office." Please do not take the heart out of our special town.

Thank you for your kind interest in this matter.

Sincerely,



Mr. Lynn Millenbruch
1522 16th Road
Home, KS 66438

cc: Postmaster General of the U.S.
Postmaster of Home, KS
Representative Lynn Jenkins
Representative Tim Huelskamp
Senator Pat Roberts
Senator Mark Taddiken
Representative Sharon Schwartz
Senator Jerry Moran



06/22/2011

LYNN MILLENBRUCH

1522 - 16 RD
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Home Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about the detrimental effect the loss of the post office would have on the community. Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided to the suspended Post Office community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Questionnaire responses revealed that customers will continue to use local businesses if the post office is discontinued.

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6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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d. Pick up Post Office box mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Pick up general delivery mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Buying money orders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h. Sending Express Mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
i. Buying stamp-collecting material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Other Postal Services

- a. Entering permit mailings YES NO
- b. Resetting/using postage meter YES NO

Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO

- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

If you previously received carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you previously received Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery or PO Box service will compare to your previous service?

- Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping _____
- Personal needs _____
- Banking _____
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

Name: Jill Mathy

Address: 931 17th Rd

Telephone: 785-799-3595

Date: 4-3-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

We use the mail drop box to drop off our business mail as it has a later pick up than the one in Marysville



06/22/2011

JILL MATHY
931 - 17 RD
HOME, KS 66438

Dear Postal Service Customer:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Samuel Gonzales".

SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

1. Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you used the HOME Post Office for each of the following:

Postal Services

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a. Buying Stamps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Mailing Letters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Mailing Parcels	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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e. Pick up general delivery mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Buying money orders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation (occasionally)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Sending Express Mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

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If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO

- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

Marionville, Kansas

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Better

Just as Good

No Opinion

Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping Marysville, Manhattan, Ks Lincoln, NE
- Personal needs " "
- Banking Marysville, Ks
- Employment _____
- Social needs Marysville, Manhattan, Ks Lincoln, NE

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: H. Michael Gee

Address: 301 N. Oak St. Home, Ks 66438

Telephone: _____

Date: 3/31/11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

HOME RURAL WATER DISTRICT #1
301 N. OAK STREET
HOME, KANSAS 66438

To Whom It May Concern:

Recently we were made aware of the possibility of the closing of the Home City Post Office. As the secretary for the Home Rural Water District I would like to strongly urge you keep the Post Office open. I purchase all of the stamps used for our billing as well as any certified mailings we would need at the Home City Post Office. Also twice a month our operator submits water samples to Kansas Department of Health and Environment for bacteriological purposes. These are time sensitive samples and it is very convenient to be able to mail them in Home City.

Sincerely,



Ruth A. Gee



06/22/2011

H. MICHAEL GEE
301 N OAK ST
HOME, KS 66438

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

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- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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- Personal needs _____
- Banking _____
- Employment _____
- Social needs _____

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

Name: SHANE HARTNER / Fisher Rock Inc

Address: 1632 Pony Exp. Hwy Home KS 66438

Telephone: 785-799-3456

Date: 3-31-11

FISHER ROCK
1632 Pony Express Hwy
Home, KS 66438
785-799-3456
www.rocksigns.com

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

WE MAIL ALOT OF PACKAGE'S WEEKLY (Rocks)
I WOULD HATE TO SEE THE HOME POST
OFFICE CLOSE.





06/22/2011

SHANE HARTNER
1632 PONY EXPRESS HWY
HOME, KS 66438

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*NO PO Boxes
AT post office*

Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

- a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) YES NO
- b. Using for school bus stop YES NO
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If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

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- Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain: _____

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- | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Shopping | Maupville KS |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Personal needs | Maupville KS |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Banking | Maupville KS |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Employment | Maupville KS |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Social needs | Maupville KS |

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

- Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

- Yes No

633-16 RD

Name: Lathy Smith

Address: Hamp KS 66438

Telephone: _____

Date: 3-30-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

this would be a cost effective measure.



06/22/2011

KATHY SMITH
633 - 16 ROAD
HOME, KS 66438

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

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Other Postal Services

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Nonpostal Services

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- c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. YES NO

If yes, please explain:

- d. Using public bulletin board YES NO
- e. Other YES NO

If yes, please explain:

Information concerning the town of Home

2. Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?

- YES NO

If yes, please explain:

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

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- Shopping
- Personal needs
- Banking
- Employment
- Social needs

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name:

Paul & Mary T. Ziemerling Zimmerman

Address:

405 N Oak St. Henry, KS

Telephone:

785-779-3556

Date:

3-31-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

We have lived here 44 years and have always used our local Post Office and would truly hate to lose it



06/22/2011

PAUL & MARY ZIMMERLING

405 N OAK ST
HOME, KS 66438

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Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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Other Postal Services

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If yes, please explain:

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- e. Other YES NO

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Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse

If yes, please explain:

4. For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?

- Shopping Various places
- Personal needs Various places
- Banking Marysville
- Employment Marysville
- Social needs Various places

5. Do you currently use local businesses in the community?

Yes No

If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?

Yes No

Name: Matt Bergmann & Kendra Schmitz

Address: 1711 Limestone Rd

Telephone: 785-799-3362

Date: 4-20-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



06/22/2011

MATT BERGMANN & KENDRA SCHMITZ
1711 LIMESTONE RD
HOME, KS 66438

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SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500

Postal Service Customer Questionnaire Analysis

Questionnaires were distributed to all delivery customers of the HOME Post Office on 03/28/2011. Additionally, during the survey period, questionnaires were available at the HOME Post Office to walk-in retail customers.

1. Number of Questionnaires

Total questionnaires distributed	176
Favorable to proposal	1
Unfavorable to proposal	20
Expressing no opinion	30
Total questionnaires received	51

Postal Concerns

The following postal concerns were expressed

- Concern (Favorable):**
No Concern
Response:
- Concern (No Opinion):**
Customers expressed concern about collection of outgoing mail
Response:
You expressed a concern about the collection of outgoing mail. Collection of mail will be made by the carrier when serving the route. The customer should raise the flag on the mailbox to alert the carrier that outgoing mail is to be collected from the mailbox.
- Concern (No Opinion):**
No Concern
Response:
- Concern (Unfavorable):**
Customer expressed a concern about leaving money in the mailbox
Response:
You also expressed a concern about leaving money in the mailbox. A questionnaire was sent to the postal inspection service concerning mail theft and vandalism in the suspended Post Office area. Their records indicate that there has not been any report of mail theft or vandalism in the area. However, customers may place a note in their mailboxes instructing the carrier to sound their horn when they arrive, in order to transact financial business.
- Concern (Unfavorable):**
Customers asked why their post office was being discontinued while others were retained
Response:
You asked why the suspended post office was being discontinued while others were retained. Post offices are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. When there is a vacancy in a small office, it is customary to conduct a study of the business activity and investigate the feasibility of providing service by alternate means.
- Concern (Unfavorable):**
Customers expressed concern about misdelivered mail
Response:
You expressed a concern about misdelivered mail. The concern about misdelivery has been brought to the attention of the administrative postmaster. The Postal Service regrets any inconvenience that customers have experienced because of misdelivery. We consider misdelivered mail a very serious problem and appreciate when customers report this to us since it provides an opportunity to take corrective action.
- Concern (Unfavorable):**
Customers expressed concern for loss of community identity
Response:
You expressed a concern about the loss of the Communities' identity. A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the use of the suspended Post Office name and ZIP Code in addresses and in the National Five-Digit ZIP Code and Post Office Directory.
- Concern (Unfavorable):**
Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route service
Response:
You expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day.
- Concern (Unfavorable):**
Customers felt the loss of a post office would have a detrimental effect on the business community
Response:
You expressed a concern about the detrimental effect the loss of the post office would have on the community. Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided to the suspended Post Office community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Questionnaire responses revealed that customers will continue to use local businesses if the post office is discontinued.
- Concern (Unfavorable):**
Customers wanted to know why the customer lines were so long at the adminoffice Post Office
Response:
You expressed a concern about the waiting time at the administrative Post Office. The administrative Post Office serves a

much larger community and has a heavier retail window workload. This concern has been brought to the attention of the administrative postmaster so she can monitor window operations and ensure that customers do not have an unreasonable wait to obtain services. The carrier can provide retail services, alleviating the need for customers to go to the post office for service.

11. **Concern (Unfavorable):**
Customers were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service

Response:

You expressed a concern about having to travel to another post office for service. Services provided at the post office will be available from the carrier, and customers will not have to travel to another post office for service. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience.

12. **Concern (Unfavorable):**
Customers were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier

Response:

You were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier, retail services provided at the post office are available from the carrier. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience. Listed below are some services available from the carrier and how to obtain them.

PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL

The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase Order (Rural), available from the post office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the post office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Special services such as certified, registered, Express Mail, delivery confirmation, signature confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the post office during their absence. Upon return the customer asks the post office to resume delivery.

13. **Concern (Unfavorable):**
No Concern
Response:
14. **Concern (Unfavorable):**
You were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service

Response:

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Nonpostal Concerns

The following nonpostal concerns were expressed

Community Meeting Roster

Postal Service Representative (Names and Titles):

Date: 04/07/2011
Time: 7:00pm

Dorothy Bryan - MPOD C POD Coordinator
Ken Reilly - District POD Lead Coordinator

Total Number of Customers Present: 51

Place: Blue Vally Telecommunications lower level meeting room

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Names of Customers Present:

Name	Mailing Address (optional)	Zip Code	Phone Number
SHANE HARTNER	1032 Pine Express Ln Home KS	66438	785-799-3456
Jim Schramm	208 Second St Home KS	66438	785 799-3321
Pat Schramm	208 Second St Home Kans	66438	785 799-3321
Linda Weber	102 2nd St Home, KS	66438	785-799-3596 562-5363 Work
Jo Ann Shum	306 N. Oak Home KS	66438	785-799-3564
John Shum	306 N Oak Home KS	66438	785-799-3564
Tandace Wright	1407 N. 14 th St. Marysville ^{KS}	66508	785-799-3657
Sheryl Richardson	1227 11 th Rd	66508	785-562-2913
Wayne Koch	1044 17 th Rd Home	66438	(785) 799-3727
Sarah Koch	1044 17 th Rd Home	66438	(785) 799-3727
Don Stock	Matador Rd	66438	785-799-
Korene Wapp	P.O. Box 35	66406	785-353-2431
Judith Korman	1200 Brk Pl	66508	785-562-5666
Evangeline Armstrong	216 E. 3 rd St.	66427	785-292-4540
Mary Schmale	1241 12 th Rd	66508	785-562-2004
Karen Johnson	1576 Navajo Rd	66438	785-799-3554 785-562-2004
Wes Johnson	1576 Navajo Rd.	66438	785-799-3554
Terry Force	342 Main Street	66551	785-396-4391
Pete Choyen	206 5 th ST SUMMERFIELD	66541	785-244-6544

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Denise Ludwig		666541	785-244-6210
Lynette Day	1505 Jayhawk Rd	66438	785 799 3434
Little Hops Bar	bill 211 2 nd St	66438	785 799 9920
Rep. Sharon Schwartz #106	2051 20th Rd	66968	785-325-2568
Paul Schwartz	" " "	" "	
Don Prehugl	230 12th TERRACE Oketo	66518	785-744-3299
Jeanette Quigg	230 12 th Terrace Oketo	66518	785-744-3299
Shirley Kopp	837 20th Rd	66406	785-353-2592
Mary Kucharski		66438	
Ken Koch	1794 pony express	66438	799-6545
Carol Koch	194 Pony Express	66438	799-3531
Brenda Kelmrichs			
Tom Helle	405 Arrowhead Rd	66412	785-767-3645
Dennis Doyle	1404 Elm St.	66508	(785) 619-6900
Lisa Roever	1283 19th Rd	66438	(785) 799 353-2346
Julie Haggard	1608 Limestone Rd	66438	(785) 799-3586
Elena Leun			
Daniel Rowe	1759 Limestone Rd	66438	785 799 3561
Kayekynn Kroeger	1251 16 th Rd	66438	785-799-3394

Postal Service Customer Community Meeting Analysis

(categorize customer concerns as postal or nonpostal and provide the Postal Service response for each.)

Postal Concerns

1. **Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers felt the post office should remain open since they paid taxes
Response:
You expressed a concern that since the people of your community paid taxes the post office should remain open. The Postal Service is not supported by tax dollars and must meet expenses by revenue it generates. Operational savings for the Postal Service contributes in the long run to stable postage rates and savings for customers.
2. **Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers were concerned about a change of ZIP Code
Response:
You expressed a concern about a change of ZIP Code. The proposed change of the ZIP Code is necessary due to 911 addressing requirements.
3. **Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers expressed concern for loss of community identity
Response:
You expressed a concern about the loss of the Communities' identity. A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the use of the suspended Post Office name and ZIP Code in addresses and in the National Five-Digit ZIP Code and Post Office Directory.
4. **Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers felt the cost of postage was increasing while service was decreasing
Response:
You expressed a concern about the increasing cost of postage while service was decreasing. The Postal Service is not immune to rising costs affecting every family and business. We do not receive tax dollars to cover the cost of operations and must adjust our prices to cover our costs. The Postal Service Governors are responsible for approving prices for all Postal Service products and services. For mailing services prices, such as stamp prices, the Postal Service announces the new prices each February and they become effective each May. The Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) reviews the new pricing for compliance with the price cap and other provisions of the Postal Act of 2006.
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You were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service
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7. **Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers felt the loss of a post office would have a detrimental effect on the business community
Response:
You expressed a concern about the detrimental effect the loss of the post office would have on the community. Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided to the suspended Post Office community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Questionnaire responses revealed that customers will continue to use local businesses if the post office is discontinued.
8. **Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers were concerned about permit mailing
Response:
You expressed a concern about permit mailing that was input at the suspended Post Office. Responsibility for the permit account will be/has been transferred to the administrative Post Office. Mailings must be submitted to that office for verification. Customers interested in obtaining a permit should contact the administrative postmaster.

9. Concern (UnFavorable):
Customers expressed concern over the apparent lack of interest by the Postal Service for the needs of the community
Response:
You expressed a concern that the Postal Service exhibits a lack of interest in the mailing needs of the community. The Postal Service is required to provide each community with regular and effective service, using the most cost efficient means possible. The proposed alternate delivery service will meet the mailing and service needs of the community in a more cost effective manner.
10. Concern (UnFavorable):
Customers were concerned about the limited hours of operation at the post office
Response:
You expressed a concern about the limited hours of operation at the post office. Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue. A workload analysis conducted in 02/26/2011 - 03/11/2011.
11. Concern (UnFavorable):
Customer expressed a concern about package delivery and pickup
Response:
You expressed a concern about package delivery and pickup. Rural carriers will deliver packages that fit in your rural mail box, if the package does not fit in the mail box, the carrier will deliver the package up to ½ mile off of the line of travel, at a designated place, such as on your porch or under a carport.
12. Concern (UnFavorable):
Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route service
Response:
You expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day.
13. Concern (UnFavorable):
Customer representing Blue Valley Communications questioned the revenue decline.
Response:
The survey reflects retail revenue. Blue Valley Communications utilizes a meter and that would not reflect in retail revenue.
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15. Concern (UnFavorable):
Customers asked why their post office was being discontinued while others were retained
Response:
You asked why the suspended post office was being discontinued while others were retained. Post offices are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. When there is a vacancy in a small office, it is customary to conduct a study of the business activity and investigate the feasibility of providing service by alternate means.
16. Concern (UnFavorable):
Customer inquired about appeal process.
Response:
You expressed a concern about the discontinuance appeal process. If the study progresses you have a 60 day window for appeals and if it progresses beyond that point, a 30 day window for appeals to the Postal Regulatory Commission.
17. Concern (UnFavorable):
Customers commented that the two week survey time period was unfair.
Response:
The timeline for the surveys was February 26 through March 11, 2011.

Nonpostal Concerns

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Business cards received at the Home Ks Community Meeting



U.S. Senator Jerry Moran
Kansas

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TOPEKA, KS 66683
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1605

May 5, 2011

Mr. Michael Holloway
District Manager
United States Postal Service
Central Plains District
5303 N 91st Ave
Omaha, NE 68134-9631

Dear Mr. Holloway:

Senator Roberts' constituent, Mr. Dennis Doyle, has contacted this office requesting that the USPS reconsider plans to close the post office in Home, Kansas. Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested.

Please direct your response to Senator Roberts' state office in Topeka. Your findings and views will be appreciated.

Sincerely,



Emily Wellman
District Representative

Enclosure

Blue Valley Tele-Communications in Home, Kansas with its subsidiary, Blue Valley Telemarketing, is a major employer in this area with revenues over \$24 million. As a utility company, we mail out over 6,000 bills each month in addition to other mailings throughout the month. The postal service has looked at the amount of foot traffic through this post office ignoring the additional revenue we are generating for this office through a postage meter with the Home zip code used by our billing vendor in South Dakota. This is such a vital part of this community that Blue Valley is willing to send all of our mail out of this post office just to keep this post office as part of the community.

In addition to this we have been working to help build up this community through community development efforts. One initiative is a business incubator we have just launched to help new businesses get started in the Home City area. The plans are to allow new businesses to have office space with telecommunication services at a reduced rate to get them started. We are dedicating staff time to help these businesses succeed through advisory and accountability meetings. The plan is to allow these businesses to develop over a three year period before moving out to a permanent location in the community.

We also have again this year an annual business fair so local businesses can come and meet with other business owners. This fair will give them an opportunity to learn from other businesses and gain some business insights from our employees and other business experts.

Speaking for Blue Valley, we are committed to seeing our local communities grow. The closing of our local post office is just another way that rural areas are taking second place to urban areas with little cost justification for eliminating these local jobs. While there is a post office in Marysville, consolidating will do little to save money in the overall scheme of things and do nothing to help us in our efforts to promote our rural areas. Once this post office is gone there is no chance of ever getting it back which will hamper our efforts to bring businesses to this area.

Today the Home post office is open on a part time basis and has one employee who is paid an hourly rate with no benefits. While we have been told this post office would need to generate \$100,000 in sales to be maintained, this seems to be inflated when compared to the actual low monthly operating cost.

Home, Kansas is a community with 59 homes with a population of 138, 1/3 over the age of 60. Because of the local businesses, on a normal work day 173 people are employed and expected to grow through our economic development efforts. This is not a dying community and should be encouraged to grow rather than being hampered in this effort by the federal government.

Dennis Doyle
General Manager / CEO
Blue Valley Tele-Communications, Inc.
1559 Pony Express Hwy
Home, KS 66438
(785) 799-3659
ddoyle@bluevalley.net

As you can see, Blue Valley is doing exceptional postage business with the USPS.

Although this postage is being paid to NeoFunds, it should be credited to the Home KS Post Office. This will increase the current postage sales over \$32,470.76

We would like this entered into the docket.



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Account Information

BLUE VALLEY TELE COMM

~~ATTN: WALTER LARRY~~

Account Number: 7900 0440 5243 4309
 Closing Date: 03/07/11
 Available Credit: \$0.00
 Customer Service (800) 636-7678

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Account Summary

Previous Balance	\$	(500.00)
Purchases	+	0.00
Credits	-	0.00
Payments	-	0.00
Other Debits	+	0.00
Finance Charges	+	0.00
NEW BALANCE	\$	(500.00)

Payment Information



Total Minimum Payment Due **\$0.00**
 Payment Due Date **04/04/11**

Mail Payment To:

NEOFUNDS BY NEOPOST
 PO BOX 30193
 TAMPA FL 33630-3193

Important News

PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE THE STUB BELOW WHEN REMITTING PAYMENT. THIS WILL ENSURE THAT YOUR PAYMENT POSTS TO YOUR ACCOUNT WITHIN 24 HOURS OF RECEIPT.
 ACCOUNT INFORMATION IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE ON LINE AT WWW.NEOPOSTINC.COM/PRODUCTS/NEOFUNDS.HTML.

YOUR CURRENT CREDIT LIMIT IS \$4,000. AS ONE OF OUR MOST VALUED CUSTOMERS WE HAVE EXTENDED YOU A FLEXIBLE SPENDING LIMIT OF AN ADDITIONAL \$4,500. USE OF ANY PORTION OF THIS ADDITIONAL \$4,500 IS SUBJECT TO A ONE PERCENT FLEXLIMIT FEE.

RETAIN THIS STATEMENT FOR TAX PURPOSES. THE TOTAL FINANCE CHARGE PAID ON YOUR ACCOUNT DURING THE PAST YEAR WAS \$81.76.

Plan Level Information

Plan Name	Plan Description	FCM *	Previous Balance	Average Daily Balance	Periodic Rate **	Corresponding APR	Finance Charges	Fees/Finance Charge	Effective APR	Ending Balance
PPLN01 001	POSTAGE	G	\$(500.00)	\$0.00	0.04931% (D)	18.0000%	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0000%	\$(500.00)

Days in Billing Cycle: 31
 *See last page for explanation of Finance Charge Method (FCM)
 (V) = Variable Rate If you have a variable rate account the periodic rate and Annual Percentage Rate (APR) may vary.

Paid Neofunds \$32,470.76 in 2010 (note we have a \$500.00 credit)
Paid Home City \$8,705.96 in 2010

PLEASE DETACH COUPON AND RETURN PAYMENT USING THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE - ALLOW 5 DAYS FOR MAIL DELIVERY 5713 VX - *

NEOFUNDS BY NEOPOST
 PO BOX 30193
 TAMPA FL 33630-3193



Account Number
 7900 0440 5243 4309

Check box to indicate name/address change on back of this coupon

AMOUNT OF PAYMENT ENCLOSED

Closing Date	New Balance	Total Minimum Payment Due	Payment Due Date
03/07/11	\$(500.00)	\$0.00	04/04/11

\$

BLUE VALLEY TELE COMM
~~ATTN: WALTER LARRY~~
 1559 PONY EXPRESS HWY
 HOME KS 66438-9000



MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:

NEOFUNDS BY NEOPOST
 PO BOX 30193
 TAMPA FL 33630-3193

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May 12, 2011

The Honorable Pat Roberts
United States Senator
444 SE Quincy St Ste 392
Topeka KS 66683-3503

Attn: Emily Wellman

Dear Senator Roberts,

This is in response to your recent inquiry on behalf of Mr. Dennis Doyle of Blue Valley Tele-Communications, regarding his concerns with the possible closing of the Home KS Post Office.

As you know, the Home KS Post Office is currently being "studied" for closure, but no decisions have been made.

The U.S. Postal Service recognizes the importance of the Post Office to its communities. However, mail volume has declined by 43.1 billion pieces in the past five years, dropping an average of 6 percent each year for the past three year. Reduced mail volume, coupled with the unique burden of prefunding retiree health benefits, is creating enormous financial pressures on the Postal Service. These pressures have created a situation the Postal Service hasn't faced before – the need to adjust its entire infrastructure at every level. In these times of increased email, texting, and e-Bill payments, a realignment of postal locations is necessary to match today's community usage.

Revenue and expenses are not the only consideration when closing or consolidating a Post Office. Proximity to other Post Offices, stations or branches as well as expanded access locations are key to any decision. The Postal Service makes every possible attempt to minimize the impact to customers.

The Postal Service has an extensive retail network of nearly 32,000 post offices, stations and branches that has been left virtually untouched -- until now. The Postal Service operates 31,871 retail facilities:

Post Offices	27,077
Stations	3,313
Branches	1,481

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

The reason that the Home KS Post Office is being studied for closure, is not solely financial, rather declining workload and customer demand. We have, however, forwarded your

concerns to the Post Office Discontinuance Review Committee for their consideration during the study phase.

Thank you for the opportunity to address these concerns and explain our position on the matter. If you have questions or additional concerns, please direct them to me in writing, in care of Sharon Predoehl, Mgr. Consumer Affairs, PO Box 199504, Omaha NE 68119-9504, or inquiries can be faxed to her at (402) 930-4434.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Pivovar", written in a cursive style.

Rick Pivovar
District Manager
Central Plains Performance Cluster

April 19, 2011

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Yes, we would like to hear that again we would have Saturday service; but that was also removed several years ago. Saturday is a day a lot of people don't work and they could send packages, or purchase stamps and money orders. All of these services have been taken away from us so of course the inside window revenue and piece count is down. Like it or not we have adjusted to these changes.

We are a progressive community...here are some of the facts.....

Home, Kansas population.....138

Businesses..... 14

Jobs in our community..... 148

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The United States Post Office has continued to pull our services so of course our lobby revenue and activity is down....look at the bottom line: we are paying our way... our revenue far out weighs the exprense. Please be fair.

We appreciate any help you can give us to keep our Post Office in our community.

Thank You.



Jim Schramm
Pat Schramm
Lewis Seed & Fertilizer, Inc
208 Second St.
Home, Kansas 66438

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April 19, 2011

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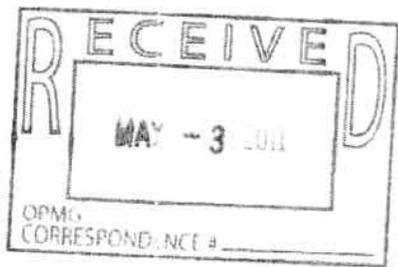
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208 Second St.
Home, Kansas 66438



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May 17, 2011

Jim and Pat Schramm
Lewis Seed and Fertilizer, Inc.
208 2nd Street
Home, KS 66438-9766

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Schramm:

This acknowledges your letter to the Postmaster General concerning closing your local Post Office.

We realize your situation will require the knowledge of management officials overseeing the Post Offices in your service area. Accordingly, I have forwarded the information to your local Consumer Affairs Office for appropriate action. Please understand referral does not reduce the scope of the review. The managers who will receive your inquiry are those with both the authority and responsibility to ensure their local customer's issues are addressed.

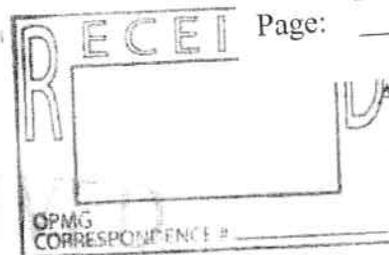
To discuss this or any future Postal related issues, please feel free to contact the Consumer Affairs Office at PO Box 199504, Omaha, NE 68119-9504; Phone: 402-930-4490, as they have the ability to respond to local issues in a timely and efficient manner.

Thank you for contacting the Postal Service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Denise McQueen".

Consumer Research Analyst
Postal Service Headquarters



Patrick Donahoe
 Postmaster General of the United States
 1735 N. Lynn Street
 Arlington, VA 22209-2020

Dear Mr. Donahoe:

It is my understanding that 24 post offices will be closed in Kansas in an effort to save money. I recently attended a meeting to discuss the closing of the post office at Home, KS (also known as Home City, KS). I listened as the speaker explained why that post office should be closed and listened as he answered our questions. However, I do not understand why our post office must be closed and those of Oketo, Baileyville, and ~~Bentley~~ will remain open. Those towns are dying and have no real hope of growing. Our town of Home, KS is a growing and active community with a rich history and a unique name.

We were told at the meeting that a two-week study was conducted to track the volume of mail going through the Home City post office. The two weeks were the last week of February and the first week of March, which were undoubtedly weeks of some of the lowest volumes of mail. There is a lull for the businesses at that time, it is cold weather so the farms are less active, and there is less mail between holidays. Even though the outlying areas have a Home City address, their mail going from rural mailboxes does not add in the count, nor does mail put in the mailbox outside the post office in Home City! It appears the study and the statistics gathered were not a true picture of the volume of mail that goes through the area post office.

Earlier I mentioned that the Home City community is a growing and active community. Every house in Home City is occupied. Four new businesses have come to town since the sewers were added. Those businesses include Fisher's Rock, which does business in the 50 states and Canada, started in 2000; Oliver Transmission, began in 1999; Cornerstone Granite, with a service area of a 60-mile radius, opened in 2002; and Family Home Treasures, which does business in Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts, opened in 2007. These businesses need to have the availability of a post office nearby. It was a handicap when the post office dropped the overnight delivery and now they are worried the post office will be taken out entirely.

J. and S. service opened about six months ago in an existing building and a new fire station is being built.

Blue Valley Tele-Communications office is located in Home City and employs 90 people. It has its own satellite company, hi-speed internet, cable company, cell phone company, and covers 10 telephone exchanges. It is at the cutting edge of communication technology and is sending out bills receiving payments as well as other communications daily through the U.S. mail.

Continuing businesses include the Lewis Seed and Fertilizer business which started over 100 years ago and continues to thrive and serve the farmers in a 30 mile radius. Little Haps serves a larger community with a radius of 50-60 miles, Grace's Corner is a gas station serving drivers from across the country.

All of the above businesses, the old and the new, have a need to mail out bills, send out advertising, receive payments, order supplies, and conduct other business through the use of the U.S. Mail. The city has a rich and unique history, and the town has a unique name. Are there any other towns or cities in this nation named "Home"?

Last year our town celebrated its 125th anniversary. People came from surrounding areas, the streets were flooded with people attending the activities and watching the lengthy parade. In the parade we saw the float decorated in honor of the Home, KS post office. A large sign on the side stated, "The town's heart is the Post Office." Please do not take the heart out of our special town.

Thank you for your kind interest in this matter.

Sincerely,



Mr. Lynn Millenbruch
1522 16th Road
Home, KS 66438 - 9003

cc:

Postmaster of Home, KS
Representative Lynn Jenkins
Senator Jerry Moran
Senator Pat Roberts
Senator Mark Taddiken
Representative Sharon Schwartz
Representative Tim Huelskamp

Consumer Affairs



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May 16, 2011

Mr. Lynn Millenbruch
1522 16th Road
Home, KS 66438-9003

Dear Mr. Millenbruch:

This acknowledges your letter to the Postmaster General concerning closing 24 Post Offices in Kansas.

We realize your situation will require the knowledge of management officials overseeing the Post Offices in your service area. Accordingly, I have forwarded the information to your local Consumer Affairs Office for appropriate action. Please understand referral does not reduce the scope of the review. The managers who will receive your inquiry are those with both the authority and responsibility to ensure their local customer's issues are addressed.

To discuss this or any future Postal related issues, please feel free to contact the Consumer Affairs Office at PO Box 199504, Omaha, NE 68119-9504; Phone: 402-930-4490, as they have the ability to respond to local issues in a timely and efficient manner.

Thank you for contacting the Postal Service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Denise McQueen".

Denise McQueen
Consumer Research Analyst
Postal Service Headquarters

Section IV

Economic Savings

A statement of annual savings includes a breakdown as follows:

Postmaster salary (EAS-____, Minimum, no COLA)	\$ 15,350
Fringe benefits 33.5%	\$ 5,142
Rental costs, excluding utilities	\$ 4,550
Total annual costs	\$ 25,042
Less estimated cost of replacement service	- 0
Total annual savings	\$ 25,042

A one-time expense of \$ 0 will be/was incurred for installation of CBUs and parcel lockers.

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Is postmaster salary based on the minimum salary without COLA?
Does postmaster salary reflect the current office evaluation?

Section V

Other Factors

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The Postal Service has identified no other factors for consideration (if appropriate).
List other factors as appropriate.
Other factors when replacement service is a CPO.

Section VI

Summary

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The proposal must include a brief summary that explains why the closing or consolidation is necessary and an assessment of how those factors supporting the need for change outweigh any negative factors. In taking competing considerations into account, the need to provide a maximum degree of effective and regular service must be paramount.

Section VII

Notices

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Appropriate notice is made that this is a proposal and not a final determination. If a final determination is made to discontinue the office, information on the appeal process will be provided at that time.

Checklist Completed By:

Investigative Coordinator

Dorothy L. Ryan

Date

7-6-2011

Reviewed and Certified By:

District PO Review Coordinator

Debra K. Jody

Date

11/28/2011



07/06/2011

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT
GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AND PUBLIC POLICY
475 L'ENFANT PLAZA SW RM 10804
WASHINGTON DC 20260-3500

SUBJECT: Posting of the Proposal to Close
the HOME Post Office
Docket No. 1367282

This is to advise you that on 07/20/2011, I will post for public comment a proposal to close the HOME Post Office in Marshall ,
Congressional District No. Kansas 1st.

If you have any questions, please call LEANN TVRDY District Review Coordinator at (402) 930-4431.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Pivovar".

RICK PIVOVAR
District Manager
CENTRAL PLAINS PFC District

cc: Manager, Customer Service Operations
Area Manager, Public Affairs and Communications

Enclosures: PS Form 4920
Proposal



07/06/2011

OFFICER-IN-CHARGE/POSTMASTER

SUBJECT: Letter of Instructions Regarding Posting of
HOME Proposal
Docket No. 1367282 - 66438

Please post the enclosed proposal to close the HOME Post Office in the lobby. The proposal must be posted in a prominent place from 07/20/2011 through close of business on 09/20/2011. The posting must last at least 60 days and the first day does not count.

Round-date stamp the cover of the proposal on the date of posting and on the date of removal. Also, post the "Invitation for Comments" next to the proposal and round-date stamp it in the same manner.

Additional copies of the proposal and comment forms are enclosed. Provide them to customers upon request.

Also enclosed is the official record on which this proposal is based. Customers may read it; however, they may not remove it from your office. When a customer requests a copy of the record, provide it upon payment of any fees prescribed in AS-353 Guide to Privacy and the Freedom of Information Act. If you do not have photocopy equipment, take the customer's name, address, and telephone number and contact the district for a copy of the record.

At the expiration of the posting period, further instructions will be provided. If there are any questions, please contact me at (402) 930-4431.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leann K. TvrDY".

LEANN TVRDY
Post Office Review Coordinator
CENTRAL PLAINS PFC District

Enclosures: PS Form 4920
Proposal
Invitation for Comments
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Official Record

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UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

INVITATION FOR COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL TO Docket: 1367282-66438
THE HOME, KS POST OFFICE Item: 32
AND ESTABLISH Page: 1
SERVICE BY RURAL ROUTE SERVICE

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OMAHA, NE 68119-9500

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Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

SAMUEL GONZALES
6005 LOCKHEED COURT
OMAHA, NE 68119-9500

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PROPOSAL TO CLOSE
THE HOME, KS POST OFFICE
AND ESTABLISH
SERVICE BY RURAL ROUTE SERVICE

DOCKET NUMBER 1367282 - 66438

I. RESPONSIVENESS TO COMMUNITY POSTAL NEEDS

The Postal Service is proposing to close the Home, KS Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Marysville Post Office, located seven miles away.

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on January 09, 2001. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office. Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue.

The office is being studied for possible closing or consolidation due to the following reasons: The Postmaster position is vacant. The office has realized a decline in customer demand and work load the last three years.

The Home Post Office, an EAS-53 level, provides service from 08:00 - 12:00 Monday - Friday, Closed Saturday and lobby hours of 08:00-12:00 on Monday - Friday and 0 on Saturday to no post office box or general delivery customers and no delivery customers. Retail services included the sale of stamps, stamped paper, and money orders; special services such as Registered Mail, Certified Mail, Insured Mail, COD Mail, and Express Mail services; and the acceptance and dispatch of all classes of mail.

The retail window averaged 14 transaction(s) accounting for 15 minute(s) of retail workload daily. With minimal workload, the Postal Service feels that effective and regular service will be provided by rural route service. Office receipts for the last 3 years were: \$14,693 (38 revenue units) in FY 2008; \$15,610 (41 revenue units) in FY 2009; and \$14,306 (37 revenue units) in FY 2010. There were one permit mailer(s) or postage meter customer(s).

On April 07, 2011, representatives from the Postal Service were available at Blue Vally Telecommunications lower level meeting room in Home KS to answer questions and provide information to customers. 51 customer(s) attended the meeting.

On March 28, 2011, 176 questionnaires were distributed to delivery customers of the Home Post Office. Questionnaires were also available over the counter for retail customers at the Home Post Office, 51 questionnaires were returned. Responses regarding the proposed alternate service were as follows: 1 favorable, 20 unfavorable, and 30 expressed no opinion.

One congressional inquiry was received on May 05, 2011.

If this proposal is implemented, delivery and retail services will be provided by the Marysville Post Office, an EAS-18 level office. Window service hours at the Marysville Post Office are from 08:30 16:30, Monday through Friday, and 09:00 10:30 on Saturday. There are 328 post office boxes available.

The following concerns were expressed from questionnaires, the community meeting, from customer letters, on the petition, and from the congressional inquiry:

1. **Concern:** Customer expressed a concern about leaving money in the mailbox

Response: The customer also expressed a concern about leaving money in the mailbox. A questionnaire was sent to the postal inspection service concerning mail theft and vandalism in the suspended Post Office area. Their records indicate that there has not been any report of mail theft or vandalism in the area. However, customers may place a note in their mailboxes instructing the carrier to sound their horn when they arrive, in order to transact financial business.
2. **Concern:** Customers asked why their post office was being discontinued while others were retained

Response: The customer asked why the suspended post office was being discontinued while others were retained. Post offices are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. When there is a vacancy in a small office, it is customary to conduct a study of the business activity and investigate the feasibility of providing service by alternate means.
3. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern about collection of outgoing mail

Response: The customer expressed a concern about the collection of outgoing mail. Collection of mail will be made by the carrier when serving the route. The customer should raise the flag on the mailbox to alert the carrier that outgoing mail is to be collected from the mailbox.
4. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern about misdelivered mail

Response: The customer expressed a concern about misdelivered mail. The concern about misdelivery has been brought to the attention of the administrative postmaster. The Postal Service regrets any inconvenience that customers have experienced because of misdelivery. We consider misdelivered mail a very serious problem and appreciate when customers report this to us since it provides an opportunity to take corrective action.

5. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route service

Response: The customer expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day.

6. **Concern:** Customers wanted to know why the customer lines were so long at the adminoffice Post Office

Response: The customer expressed a concern about the waiting time at the administrative Post Office. The administrative Post Office serves a much larger community and has a heavier retail window workload. This concern has been brought to the attention of the administrative postmaster so she can monitor window operations and ensure that customers do not have an unreasonable wait to obtain services. The carrier can provide retail services, alleviating the need for customers to go to the post office for service.

7. **Concern:** Customers were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service

Response: The customer expressed a concern about having to travel to another post office for service. Services provided at the post office will be available from the carrier, and customers will not have to travel to another post office for service. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience.

8. **Concern:** Customers were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier

Response: The customer were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier, retail services provided at the post office are available from the carrier. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience. Listed below are some services available from the carrier and how to obtain them.

PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL

The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase Order (Rural), available from the post office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the post office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Special services such as certified, registered, Express Mail, delivery confirmation, signature confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the

carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the post office during their absence. Upon return the customer asks the post office to resume delivery.

9. **Concern:** You were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about having to travel to another post office for service. Services provided at the post office will be available from the carrier, and customers will not have to travel to another post office for service. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience.
10. **Concern:** Customer expressed a concern about package delivery and pickup
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about package delivery and pickup. Rural carriers will deliver packages that fit in your rural mail box, if the package does not fit in the mail box, the carrier will deliver the package up to ½ mile off of the line of travel, at a designated place, such as on your porch or under a carport.
11. **Concern:** Customer inquired about appeal process.
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about the discontinuance appeal process. If the study progresses you have a 60 day window for appeals and if it progresses beyond that point, a 30 day window for appeals to the Postal Regulatory Commission.
12. **Concern:** Customer representing Blue Valley Communications questioned the revenue decline.
- Response:** The survey reflects retail revenue. Blue Valley Communications utilizes a meter and that would not reflect in retail revenue.
13. **Concern:** Customers commented that the two week survey time period was unfair.
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about the timing of the survey time. The timeline for the surveys was February 26 through March 11, 2011.
14. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern over the apparent lack of interest by the Postal Service for the needs of the community
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern that the Postal Service exhibits a lack of interest in the mailing needs of the community. The Postal Service is required to provide each community with regular and effective service, using the most cost efficient means possible. The proposed alternate delivery service will meet the mailing and service needs of the community in a more cost effective manner.
15. **Concern:** Customers felt the cost of postage was increasing while service was decreasing
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about the increasing cost of postage while service was decreasing. The Postal Service is not immune to rising costs affecting every family and business. We do not receive tax dollars to cover the cost of operations and must adjust our prices to cover our costs. The Postal Service Governors are responsible for approving prices for all Postal Service products and services. For mailing services prices, such as stamp prices, the Postal Service announces the new prices each February and they become effective each May. The Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) reviews the new pricing for compliance with the price cap and other provisions of the Postal Act of 2006.
16. **Concern:** Customers were concerned about a change of ZIP Code

Response: The customer expressed a concern about a change of ZIP Code. Your zip code will not change.

17. **Concern:** Customers were concerned about permit mailing

Response: The customer expressed a concern about permit mailing that was input at the suspended Post Office. Responsibility for the permit account will be/has been transferred to the administrative Post Office. Mailings must be submitted to that office for verification. Customers interested in obtaining a permit should contact the administrative postmaster.

18. **Concern:** Customers were concerned about the limited hours of operation at the post office

Response: The customer expressed a concern about the limited hours of operation at the post office. Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue. A workload analysis conducted in 02/26/2011 - 03/11/2011.

Some advantages of the proposal are:

1. The rural or contract delivery carrier may provide retail services, alleviating the need to go to the post office. Stamps by Mail order forms are provided for customer convenience.
2. Customers opting for carrier service will have 24-hour access to their mail.
3. Savings for the Postal Service contribute in the long run to stable postage rates and savings for customers.
4. CBUs can offer the security of individually locked mail compartments. Parcel lockers provide convenient parcel delivery for customers.
5. Customers opting for carrier service will not have to pay post office box fees.
6. Saves time and energy for customers who drive to the post office to pick up mail.

Some disadvantages of the proposal are:

1. The loss of a retail outlet and a postmaster position in the community. Retail services may be provided by the rural or contract delivery carrier.
2. Meeting the rural or contract delivery carrier at the box to transact business. However, it is not necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions.
3. A change in the mailing address. The community name will continue to be used in the new address. A carrier route address will be assigned.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service concludes this proposal will provide a maximum degree of effective and regular postal services to the community.

II. EFFECT ON COMMUNITY

Home is an unincorporated community located in Marshall County. The community is administered politically by Marshall County . Police protection is provided by the Marshall County Sheriff. Fire protection is provided by the Home Volunteer Fire Dept. The community is comprised of farm/ag related, and those who commute to work at nearby communities and work in local businesses.

Businesses and organizations include: Blue Valley Telemarketing Blue Valley Communications Lewis Seed & Fertilizer Home City Grain Little Haps Grace's Korner Cornerstone Granite Family Home Treasurers Home Interior Decorating & Gifts Mary Kay Consultant Fisher Rock Oliver Transmission Home Insurance Agency R&G Tools Flow Design Tech D&L hay Moorman Dealer - K Koch Hermes Customer Harvester Don Prell Realtor Stumps Smoke Meats Hawkins Trucking Ag Transport Bossie' Best Longhorn Opportunities D&D Custom Hay Smith Trucking Ketter Construction Spring Creek Ag Regency Cleaning Broxterman Tractor Repair Wassneberg Stump Removal Musil Cleaning Service . Residents may travel to nearby communities for other supplies and services.

Nonpostal services provided at the Home Post Office will be available at the Marysville Post Office. Government forms normally provided by the Post Office will also be available at the Marysville Post Office or by contacting your local government agency.

The following nonpostal concerns were expressed from questionnaires, the community meeting, on the petition, and on the congressional inquiry:

1. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern for loss of community identity
Response: The customer expressed a concern about the loss of the Communities' identity. A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the use of the suspended Post Office name and ZIP Code in addresses and in the National Five-Digit ZIP Code and Post Office Directory.
2. **Concern:** Customers felt the loss of a post office would have a detrimental effect on the business community
Response: The customer expressed a concern about the detrimental effect the loss of the post office would have on the community. Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided to the suspended Post Office community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Questionnaire responses revealed that customers will continue to use local businesses if the post office is discontinued.
3. **Concern:** Customers felt the post office should remain open since they paid taxes

Response:

The customer expressed a concern that since the people of your community paid taxes the post office should remain open. The Postal Service is not supported by tax dollars and must meet expenses by revenue it generates. Operational savings for the Postal Service contributes in the long run to stable postage rates and savings for customers.

Based on the information obtained in the course of this discontinuance study, the Postal Service concludes this proposal will not adversely affect the community.

III. EFFECT ON EMPLOYEES

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on January 09, 2001. The noncareer postmaster relief (PMR) may be separated from the Postal Service. No other Postal Service employee will be adversely affected. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office.

IV. ECONOMIC SAVINGS

The Postal Service estimates an annual savings of \$ 25,042 with a breakdown as follows:

Postmaster Salary (EAS-53, No COLA)	\$ 15,350
Fringe Benefits @ 33.5%	\$ 5,142
Annual Lease Costs	+ \$ 4,550
Total Annual Costs	\$ 25,042
Less Annual Cost of Replacement Service	- \$ 0
Total Annual Savings	<u>\$ 25,042</u>

V. OTHER FACTORS

The Postal Service has identified no other factors for consideration.

VI. SUMMARY

The Postal Service is proposing to close the Home, KS Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Marysville Post Office, located seven miles away.

The postmaster retired on January 09, 2001. If the office has a noncareer PMR(s), they may be separated from the Postal Service; however, attempts will be made to reassign the employee(s) to a nearby facility. No other employee(s) will be adversely affected. Post office workload has declined. Effective and regular service will continue to be provided by rural route service.

The Home Post Office provided delivery and retail service to no PO Box or general delivery customers and no delivery route customers. The daily retail window transactions averaged 14. There are one permit mailers or postage meter customers.

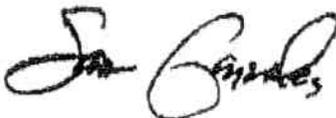
There will no longer be a retail outlet in the community. However, delivery and retail services may be available from a rural or contract delivery carrier, which could alleviate the need to travel to a post office for service. The Postal Service will save an estimated \$25,042 annually. A disadvantage to some may be in meeting the rural or contract delivery carrier to transact business. However, it is not necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions with a rural or contract delivery carrier.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service has determined that the advantages outweigh the disadvantages and this proposal is warranted.

VII. NOTICES

- A. Support Materials. Copies of all materials upon which this proposal is based are available for public inspection at the Home Post Office and Marysville Post Office during normal office hours.
- B. This is a proposal. It is not a final determination to close this post office. If a final determination is made to close this post office, after public comments on this proposal are received and taken into account, a notice of that final determination will be posted in this office.

The final determination will contain instructions on how affected customers may appeal that decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission. Any such appeal must be received by the commission within 30 days of the posting of the final determination.



SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations

07/20/2011
Date



09/16/2011

OFFICER-IN-CHARGE/POSTMASTER

SUBJECT: Instructions for Posting the "Notice of Taking Proposal and Comments Under Internal Consideration"

At the close of business on 09/20/2011 take down the "Proposal" and the "Invitation for Comments" from the lobby. Round-date stamp them upon removal and verify that the mandatory 60-day posting period was observed. The proposal and invitation for comments must be posted for at least 60 days, and the first day does not count.

On the same day, prominently post in the lobby the enclosed "Notice of Taking Proposal and Comments Under Internal Consideration." The notice should remain posted until you receive further notice from this office.

Please return the posted "Proposal," "Invitation for Comments," the official record, and any related discontinuance materials to this office.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leann K. Tvrdy".

LEANN TVRDY
Post Office Review Coordinator
6005 LOCKHEED COURT
OMAHA, NE 68119-9500

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UNITED STATES

**INVITATION FOR COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL TO CLOSE
THE HOME, KS POST OFFICE
AND ESTABLISH
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6005 LOCKHEED COURT
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**NOTICE OF TAKING PROPOSAL AND COMMENTS
UNDER INTERNAL CONSIDERATION**

Date 09/21/2011

Postal Customers of the Home Post Office: The Postal Service appreciates receiving the views of those of you who submitted comments on the proposal to close the Home Post Office, which was posted 07/20/2011 through 09/20/2011. These comments will be considered carefully as the matter is reviewed further in my office and at higher levels within the Postal Service.

When a final decision is made by the Postal Service, that decision will be posted in place of this notice. If the decision is to approve the proposal, any customer of the Home Post Office who disagrees will have the right to appeal that decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission in Washington, DC.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sam Gonzales". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

SAMUEL GONZALES
6005 LOCKHEED COURT
OMAHA, NE 68119-9500

Optional Comment Form

Following are comments I wish to make concerning the proposed disc Office.

1. Effect on Your Postal Services. Describe any favorable or unfavorable effects you believe the proposal would have on the regularity or effectiveness of your postal services.

Our service would be greatly hurt... our route person can hardly get at us each day... we can't imagine trying to do any business with them... we send packages as well as buy stamps and money orders.

2. Effect on Your Community. Please describe any favorable or unfavorable effects that you believe the proposal would have on your community.

The closing of this Post Office would have an unfavorable effect on our community. The Office is the "heart" of our community and all patrons are proud to continue to support our Post Office.

3. Other Comments. Please provide any other views or information that you believe the Postal Service should consider in deciding whether to adopt the proposal.

See attached papers

Jim and Pat Schramm

Lewis Seed & Feed Inc.

Pat Schramm

Name of Postal Customer

Signature of Postal Customer

208 Second St

Mailing Address

Home Kansas 66438

City, State, and ZIP Code

Aug 16 2011

Date

April 18, 2011
208 Second St.
Home, Kansas 66438

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On April 7, 2011 we were told that our beloved Home Post Office was under review and had a very slim chance of surviving.

Yes, we would like to hear that our rural route would originate again in Home. That route carrier was removed to Marysville, Kansas many years ago. The stamp money and all letters are taken to Marysville. Thus giving all revenue and count to the Marysville, Kansas Post Office.

Yes, we would like to hear that the lobby boxes would be re-installed. Those were taken out 20 years ago. Boxes represent revenue and business at the window in a lobby of the Post Office. So again revenue and piece count was taken away.

Yes, we would like to hear that again we would have Saturday service; but that was also removed several years ago. Saturday is a day a lot of people don't work and they could send packages, or purchase stamps and money orders. All of these services have been taken away from us so of course the inside window revenue and piece count is down. Like it or not we have adjusted to these changes.

We are a progressive community...here are some of the facts.....

Home, Kansas	population....	138
Businesses.....	14
Jobs in our community.....		148

148 as of Aug 16, 2011.

The largest employer is Blue Valley Tele-Communications. In the last two years they have built a multi-million dollar office facility. Each month they send out at least 6,000 statements to customers. Ten times a year they mail a newsletter and once a year a yearly report to each customer. Also potential customers receive flyers advertising various specials. This company alone generates a lot of revenue as well as the other businesses and residents of this community. In the past several years our community has installed a sewer system. The volunteer fire department is in the process of building a new fire station. Also in the last few years six new home have been built in our community. These homes belong to young families.

We don't have a Postmaster, her title is OIC...therefore she does not get benefits. The Post Office has saved a lot of money over the last twenty years; we do not have Saturday service, just five days a week 8am to 12pm.

The United States Post Office has continued to pull our services so of course our lobby revenue and activity is down....look at the bottom line: we are paying our way... our revenue far out weighs the expense. Please be fair.

We appreciate any help you can give us to keep our Post Office in our community.

Thank You.

Jim and Pat Schramm

Jim Schramm
Pat Schramm
Lewis Seed & Fertilizer, In
208 Second St.
Home, Kansas 66438



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JIM AND PAT SCHRAMM

208 SECOND ST
HOME, KS 66438

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In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern that postal employees at the administrative Post Office are rude. Employee courtesy is always a concern of postal managers. Postal employees receive periodic instructions regarding employee courtesy. We do not condone our employees' execution of their duties in an unprofessional or discourteous manner. This concern will be conveyed to the postmaster by the Manager, Post Office Operations.
- You expressed a concern about the loss of the Communities' identity. A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the use of the Community name and ZIP Code in addresses.
- You expressed a concern about the cost savings obtained by the Postal Service from the closure of Post Offices. The Postal Service has developed and begun implementing a range of cost-reducing initiatives. These include: consolidating operations, adjusting delivery routes, restructuring administrative and processing functions and closing district offices. We also have introduced several new products and services, including Priority Mail Flat Rate boxes and Adult Signature service, in an effort to grow revenue.

I realize with change there is always concern. However we are confident that the alternate service listed in the proposal will continue to provide you with effective and regular service.
If you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact LeAnn Tvrdy at (402) 930-4431.

Sincerely,

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Samuel Gonzales
Manager, Post Office Operations
6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500



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In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about the loss of the Post Office, that this loss would discourage new businesses from coming to the community. Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided in the community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Most new businesses moving to the community do not depend on the location of a Post Office, but on the provision of effective and regular postal services. Carrier service will accommodate future growth.

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Elaine is so outgoing, she goes beyond her job title. Put's postal items (stamps, boxes) or what ever in a vehicle or leaves at another business for us because most of us work daily. Mansfield want so that on the rural carrier.

- 2. **Effect on Your Community.** Please describe any favorable or unfavorable effects that you believe the proposal would have on your community.

It would cut down on people being in our little town and doing business else where after they have been at the Post Office. Its so convenient to just drop off your mail in the Blue Box during post office hours. And go inside and visit with Elaine

- 3. **Other Comments.** Please provide any other views or information that you believe the Postal Service should consider in deciding whether to adopt the proposal.

Our carrier will not be able to provide us with everything Elaine did, he's not as friendly and accomadating either.

Mary T Zimmerling
Name of Postal Customer

Mary T Zimmerling
Signature of Postal Customer

405 N. OAK ST.
Mailing Address

Home, Ks 66438
City, State, and ZIP Code

8-26-11
Date

over



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MARY ZIMMERLING

405 N OAK ST
HOME, KS 66438

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In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about the increasing cost of postage while service was decreasing. The Postal Service is not immune to rising costs affecting every family and business. We do not receive tax dollars to cover the cost of operations and must adjust our prices to cover our costs. The Postal Service Governors are responsible for approving prices for all Postal Service products and services. For mailing services prices, such as stamp prices, the Postal Service announces the new prices each February and they become effective each May. The Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) reviews the new pricing for compliance with the price cap and other provisions of the Postal Act of 2006.

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6005 Lockheed Court
Omaha, NE, 68119-9500

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- 2. **Effect on Your Community.** Please describe any favorable or unfavorable effects that you believe the proposal would have on your community. *Even though Home is seven miles from Mansville that doesn't include the rural area people that do business here at Home Post Office. Highway 36 is a heavy traffic road and you can not get to Mansville in 7 minutes or to the Mansville Post Office. Home is a growing community with young families - new homes and new businesses being started. Plus we have several older citizens who live here and living is cheaper for them. People do not travel to Mansville every day to conduct business due to gas prices.*
- 3. **Other Comments.** Please provide any other views or information that you believe the Postal Service should consider in deciding whether to adopt the proposal. *The information in the docket is not all true. Frank Peterson retired in 1989 not in 2001 as stated. Other Postmasters that have been here for a short time moved to other offices OIG's have filled this office get paid less than a Postmaster and as no benefits. Which is a savings for the Postal System. On the Property Detail Report it states "Handicap non-accessible" look at the pictures. It's Handicap accessible with Ramp plus the window inside is also Handicap accessible.*

Darrel Roever

Name of Postal Customer *Darrel Roever*

Signature of Postal Customer

1759 Limestone Rd

Mailing Address

Home Kansas 66438

City, State, and ZIP Code

August 25, 2011
Date

Like all business places there i
 be done behind the desk then some people see. + --
 there are alot of reports and paper work that Postmaster's
 or OIC's are required to do. Being a farmer-Stockman I
 know first hand with dealing in agricultural with banking
 ASC and other business institutions

Question 5 - Stated In advantages of Proposal.
 Home does not have boxes in the office. They were
 taken out while Peterson was the Postmaster. So I
 feel that is an incorrect point.

Also - In the docket for Home is a questionnaire letter
 filled out by a patron of Summerfield Kansas. So did all
 of our questionnaires get put in the Home Docket or are
 they some where else ???

Also Mansville Post Office is closed from 11:00 A.M.
 to 12 Noon Monday thru Friday. So they are not opened as
 stated.



10/04/2011

DARREL ROEVER
1759 LIMESTONE RD
HOME, KS 66438

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Thank you for taking the time to submit your comments to the proposal to close the Home Post Office. Your comments are appreciated and will be carefully considered, along with the comments of other customers, as the matter is reviewed further in my office and at higher levels of the Postal Service.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about the loss of the Communities' identity. A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the use of the Community name and ZIP Code in addresses.
- You expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously each day.
- You expressed a concern about the economic savings of the proposed discontinuance. Carrier service can be and, in this case, is more cost-effective than maintaining a postal facility and a postmaster position. The Postal Service estimates an annual savings with this change. Additional funds are necessary in larger cities because of a greater workload. Larger cities often realize greater revenue which can offset their greater expenses.
- The Postal Service regrets the errors and acknowledges that the former Postmaster retired in 2001 and that the office is indeed Handicap Accessible.

I realize with change there is always concern. However we are confident that the alternate service listed in the proposal will continue to provide you with effective and regular service.
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6005 Lockheed Court
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To Whom It May Concern:

The following is an appeal to keep the Home, Kansas Post Office open. We received the official docket to notify this community of your decision to close the Post Office. There are several errors in the docket.

1. The Home Post Office does not have a Postmaster. We have an O.I.C. Therefore the salary outlay is not \$15,350. She is an hourly employee and she does NOT receive benefits...both are errors in the docket. Total cost for the office would be less than \$20,000.
2. The docket states the Postmaster retired in 2001. That is also an error. The last Postmaster was Frank Peterson, and he retired in 1989.
3. The docket states the Marysville Post Office has window service all day long, when they are actually closed from 11 a.m. to Noon...not convenient for someone who has a lunch hour at that time.
4. Stated in the docket is that the Home Post Office is not handicap accessible. If you view the photos of the Post Office in the docket you can clearly see the handicap ramp...the Post Office is indeed handicap accessible.
5. The revenue is not stated. Blue Valley Telecommunications, one of our many local businesses, sends out 6,000 statements a month to their customers...along with advertising flyers, and a newsletter at least ten times each year, in addition to a yearly report sent to each customer. Another business, Fisher Rock, mail all of their rock sales through our Post Office. Home City Grain, and Lewis Seed and Fertilizer, also send out monthly statements. The revenue at our Post Office is over \$50,000 each year. Our Post Office definitely has revenue.
6. The docket contains patron questionnaires from other communities. We thought this was a docket exclusively for Home, Kansas...

We attended three area meetings concerning the closing of local Post Offices. Each time we were told the Postal Department could not stop Saturday service/delivery. We have not had Saturday service for many years and we have adjusted. At all three meetings we were told the route delivery person could handle all service requests. If that in fact is correct...fine...then close all Post Offices nationwide...let everyone adjust...not just us in the small communities. Let the route people handle everything. We can tell you right now the route union will be up in arms. All the extra work would result in extra pay and more employees. Also, there would be

the expense of schooling for the route people so that they would have services.

When the Postal Department took the box service out of our Post Office, they took revenue away from us. When they moved our local delivery from Home to Marysville, they took revenue from us then, as the money now goes to Marysville. The Postal Department has continued to chip away at our community hoping to have a reason for closure. Our community is growing. Since last April, another new home has been built, and two families have moved to our community, adding ten more people to our population. Our town may be small, but we are not by any means dying. Yes, the Postal Department is in trouble. However, by closing our Post Office and other offices nationwide, the savings would be less than 1% of the department budget. Looking at the overall picture, if you would eliminate Saturday service/delivery, it would save money across the country. My point is, why do the small communities in the Heartland of America have to be the ones to adjust?

The Postal Department sells stamps, but how do you deliver your reports? Online. How do they pay bills? Online. The department spent millions on computers and internet to save money...looks like a case of cutting off your nose to spite your face.

The Postmaster General retired with how much of a bonus? Quite noble. We think he should have turned his salary and his bonus back into the department. He can't be blamed for bailing out of such a mess.

Taking all available information into consideration, we think the department is wrong to close the Home, Kansas Post Office. It would be to your advantage to leave it open, reinstall the local boxes and move the route origin back to our town. We are a thriving community, and would like to be recognized for what we really are...not just another place to make a budget cut.

Thank you for your time.

Pat and Jim Schramm
Pat and Jim Schramm

Lewis Seed and Fertilizer

208 2nd Street

Home, Ks 66438

Representative Sharon Schwartz
State Capital Building, Room 115 S
Topeka, KS 66612

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Dear Representative:

The U.S. Postal Service has informed your constituents who live and/or work in Home, KS that their Post Office, the Home, KS Post Office, may soon be closed.

As you may know, current law prohibits the Postal Service from closing or consolidating a Post Office solely because the individual Post Office may have expenses that exceed revenue. Congress created this safeguard against terminating a Post Office for two reasons. First, the law protects small and rural communities – postal-dependent areas – from wholesale Post Office closures that will have a dramatic adverse impact on the communities. Second, Post Offices are part of a universal communications network. Each unit cannot be evaluated independently, since revenue for a mail piece may be earned in one community and the value added in delivery is accrued in another. In order to ensure nondiscriminatory mail service throughout the nation, Congress obligates the Postal Service to provide a maximum degree of effective and regular mail service to rural areas, communities and small towns where Post Offices are not self-sustaining. In our view, the Postal Service's proposal to close the Home, KS Post Office will reduce mail service to your constituents. It is also important to note that, according to the Postal Regulatory Commission, maintaining all small and rural Post Offices amounts to less than 0.7% of the Postal Service's operating budget.

The Postal Service may propose a number of unacceptable options to placate – none of them are acceptable. The Postal Service may propose to replace our Post Office with a "community postal unit". This type of leased or sub-leased privatized operation tends to hire unqualified workers, who will undermine the sanctity of our mail. Moreover, once these units replace a Post Office, the statutory protections providing nondiscriminatory mail service are null and void. Another option the Postal Service may propose is the creation of rural or cluster box service. Clearly, this is not the type of service envisioned when Congress required the Postal Service to provide "a maximum degree of effective and regular mail service to rural areas, communities and small towns". Moreover, this type of service would require us to await the letter carrier at our mail box to receive retail postal services, which could include certified mail, express mail, and postal money orders. If mail must be signed for, we would need to travel to the closest "real" Post Office which is seven miles away. Finally, the Postal Service may propose to consolidate our Post Office with another Post Office. We will lose our community identity and the consolidation would have dramatic impact on our community's economy.

As business owners in the Home, KS community for nine years, the presence of the Home, KS Post Office is a vital asset to conducting daily business functions. The closure of the Home, KS Post Office would adversely affect our business and cause unnecessary burdens on the daily operation of the same. The Home, KS Post Office provides needed

services to our business that, if no longer available, would require extra time, travel and expense in conducting daily operations.

The Home, KS community has seen an average of one new business opening every other year for the past decade. There is growth in the business community and these businesses are the most likely to need the retail services of a fully operational Post Office. Closing the Home, KS Post Office will cause any future business developers to reconsider the possibility of opening their doors in the Home, KS community and cause existing businesses to re-examine their presence in the Home, KS community due to an absence of business services required to conduct daily business operations. The economic ramifications would be devastating to the long term growth and prosperity of the Home, KS community.

We appreciate your concern about your constituents in Home, KS and hope that you will aggressively fight to protect the Home, KS Post Office.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Robert and Regina McAnerney. The signature for Robert is on the left and Regina's is on the right, with a small cross between them.

Robert & Regina McAnerney
Cornerstone Granite Industries Inc.
303 3rd St.
Home, KS 66438
785-799-3132
cornerstone@bluevalley.net

Home Post Office

Dennis Doyle [ddoyle@bluevalley.net]

Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 4:45 PM

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Sharon,

Here is the information we have been able to pull together from the meeting we had last night at Blue Valley Tele-Communications. I am including the information Pat Schramm had also shared.

Dwellings in Home: 59

Home population: 138 (1/3 over 60)

Businesses in Home with number of employees:

Blue Valley Tele-Communications	48
Blue Valley Telemarketing	50
Grace's Korner	2
Family Treasurers	2
Cornerstone Granite	2
Jason's J and S	1
Rural Water District	2
Oliver's Transmission	5
Little Haps	9
Lewis Seed & Home City Grain	12
Flow Design	1
Post Office	1
Fisher Rock	<u>7</u>
Total	<u>173</u>

Blue Valley Tele-Communications with its subsidiary, Blue Valley Telemarketing, is a major employer in this area with revenues over \$24 million. As a utility company, we mail out over 6,000 bills each month in addition to other mailings throughout the month. The postal service has looked at the amount of foot traffic through this post office ignoring the additional revenue we are generating for this office through a postage meter with the Home zip code used by our billing vendor in South Dakota. This is such a vital part of this community that Blue Valley is willing to send all of our mail out of this post office just to keep this post office as part of the community.

In addition to this we have been working to help build up this community through community development efforts. One initiative is a business incubator we have just launched to help new businesses get started in the Home City area. The plans are to allow new businesses to have office space with telecommunication services at a reduced rate to get them started. We are dedicating staff time to help these businesses succeed through advisory and accountability meetings. The plan is to allow these businesses to develop over a three year period before moving out to a permanent location in the community.

We also have again this year an annual business fair so local businesses can come and meet with other business

owners. This fair will give them an opportunity to learn from other bus
from our employees and other business experts.

Speaking for Blue Valley, we are committed to seeing our local communities grow. The closing of our local post office is just another way that rural areas are taking second place to urban areas with little cost justification for eliminating these local jobs. While there is a post office in Marysville, consolidating will do little to save money in the overall scheme of things and do nothing to help us in our efforts to promote our rural areas. Once this post office is gone there is no chance of ever getting it back which will hamper our efforts to bring businesses to this area.

Sharon, I appreciate you attending the meeting last night and look forward to hearing how your meeting goes with Senator Moran next week. If you need additional information from me please let me know. We will be following up with letters to not only Senator Moran but also to Senator Roberts and Representative Huelskamp to make them aware of the situation and hopefully get their support in our efforts to keep this post office open.

Dennis Doyle

How 'Home' Became A City

Over three-quarters of a century have passed since the first post office was established on the prairie sod and designated as Home. Thrifty pioneers from foreign soil and emigrants from eastern states settled the community to build and develop it to one of the richest settlements in Marshall County.

Described as one of the most enterprising farm trade towns during the horse and buggy days it was often referred to as the Biggest Little City in this area. Besides two churches, its many businesses places included two banks, three general stores, a furniture store, hardware store, drug store, millinery shop, butcher shop, and blacksmith shop.

Doctors and dentists established a wide practice in the country town. Yet it always remained a rural town never having been incorporated. Located six miles east of the county seat in Franklin township, its governing body is the township officers.

The background which built this busy rural town is rich in historic lore and pioneer tales fast becoming a memory of the older generation.

How Home City acquired its name has long been a question unanswered but here the story is now told from facts obtained by historical records.

The post office was located one mile west and one mile south of the present site of Home City. Gottlieb Messell became the postmaster on February 19, 1874, and he was known as the Home postmaster because the postoffice was in the Messell home and not in a town.

He was succeeded by Christian Langlitz on December 19, 1877. The third postmaster was John Tangeman on December 3, 1879 to April 22, 1880. The post office was then moved to the present Home City when Mr. Chris Duver became postmaster on July 15, 1881.

Almost a year later on July 8, 1882 Mr. Duver platted the present Home City and recorded it on July 12, 1882 as the town of Duver. The streets were named Blocker and Cassidy for two of its leading citizens. Other streets were Oak and Cottonwood streets.

After the plat was made, the

question arose:

"What are we going to call the new post office?" A petition was circulated and signed by several of the citizens. Some of the signers were Thomas Dexter, James Blocker, sr., John Tangeman, "English" Bill Lewis, Barney Cassidy, Marvin Goff, William Arnast, sr., John Thomas and others.

At this meeting it was decided to call the postoffice Dexter. However

City.

In the years of early 1900 it was considered the most active and prosperous town on the St. Joseph and Grand Island railroad. The merchants enjoyed a large business.

According to the records of the Post Office Department the names of postmasters and dates of their appointment were:

Gottlieb Messall — February 19, 1874

FIRST HOME CITY POSTOFFICE IN 1874



This dwelling was the first postoffice in 1874 and was built by Gottlieb Messell in 1870. The postoffice was known as the Home station and the first mail came here by the St. Joseph Western railroad on February 19, 1874. The mail in these early days was placed in a box, basket, and even in a bureau drawer. Here the pioneers could sort their mail. The mail was taken on the "fly" as the "fast" mail did not stop since the next stop was Marysville nearly at the end of the line. Oscar Zimmerling now lives in the residence.

the name of Dexter was of short time because the postal department informed them that there was already a Dexter postoffice in Kansas.

Another meeting was called for naming the town. Suggestions were made for such names as Blockerville, Duvertown, and Lewisville. But the owners of the names did not care to have the town named for them. They then decided to call it Home as the postoffice had always been located in a home from the beginning of mail service in 1874. And for that reason the town of Home acquired the name of Home.

George W. Van Camp purchased the land, 40 acres and the townsite from Chris Duver on June 26, 1884. He replatted and renamed the streets, recording it in the name of Home. Mr. Van Camp conceived the idea of adding "City" to Home.

From that time on it was and always will be known to the population who were born and have

- Christian Langlitz December 19, 1877
- John Tangeman — December 3, 1879
- Lewis Messall — April 22, 1880
- Chris Duver — July 15, 1881
- Jacob Beveridge — May 27, 1884
- Joseph Wuester — January 6, 1886
- T. H. Edmudson — April 11, 1889
- J. B. Wuester — September 2, 1893
- Josiah Thomas September 21, 1897
- Margaret Thomas February 12, 1906
- Jacob Beveridge November 6, 1911
- O. J. Prichard — November 21, 1914
- Ruth Huff — August 11, 1924
- Marie Oehm — January 16, 1925
- John Tangeman, third postmaster

An early day postmaster of Home City was John Tangeman, who served as its third official. Mr. and Mrs. Tangeman and two sons, William and Ernest came to Frankfort from Bloomington, Ill., in 1871. They came across the prairie to their new home, one mile west and Home City. Here they resided for several years.

During this period he became the postmaster on December 3, 1879. He was succeeded by Lewis Messall

April 15, 2011

The Honorable Sharon Schwartz
Room 149-S, Seat 64
Kansas State Capitol
300 SW 10th St.
Topeka, KS 66612

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Dear Representative Schwartz:

It is my understanding that 24 post offices will be closed in Kansas in an effort to save money. I recently attended a meeting to discuss the closing of the post office at Home, KS (also known as Home City, KS). I listened as the speaker explained why that post office should be closed and listened as he answered our questions. However, I do not understand why our post office must be closed and those of Oketo, Baileyville, and ~~Beattie~~ will remain open. Those towns are dying and have no real hope of growing. Our town of Home, KS is a growing and active community with a rich history and a unique name.

We were told at the meeting that a two-week study was conducted to track the volume of mail going through the Home City post office. The two weeks were the last week of February and the first week of March, which were undoubtedly weeks of some of the lowest volumes of mail. There is a lull for the businesses at that time, it is cold weather so the farms are less active, and there is less mail between holidays. Even though the outlying areas have a Home City address, their mail going from rural mailboxes does not add in the count, nor does mail put in the mailbox outside the post office in Home City! It appears the study and the statistics gathered were not a true picture of the volume of mail that goes through the area post office.

Earlier I mentioned that the Home City community is a growing and active community. Every house in Home City is occupied. Four new businesses have come to town since the sewers were added. Those businesses include Fisher's Rock, which does business in the 50 states and Canada, started in 2000; Oliver Transmission, began in 1999; Cornerstone Granite, with a service area of a 60-mile radius, opened in 2002; and Family Home Treasures, which does business in Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts, opened in 2007. These businesses need to have the availability of a post office nearby. It was a handicap when the post office dropped the overnight delivery and now they are worried the post office will be taken out entirely.

J. and S. service opened about six months ago in an existing building and a new fire station is being built.

Blue Valley Tele-Communications office is located in Home City and employs 90 people. It has its own satellite company, hi-speed internet, cable company, cell phone company, and covers 10 telephone exchanges. It is at the cutting edge of communication technology and is sending out bills receiving payments as well as other communications daily through the U.S. mail.

Continuing businesses include the Lewis Seed and Fertilizer business which started over 100 years ago and continues to thrive and serve the farmers in a 30 mile radius. Little Haps serves a larger community with a radius of 50-60 miles, Grace's Corner is a gas station serving drivers from across the country.

All of the above businesses, the old and the new, have a need to mail out bills, send out advertising, receive payments, order supplies, and conduct other business through the use of the U.S. Mail. The city has a rich and unique history, and the town has a unique name. Are there any other towns or cities in this nation named "Home"?

Last year our town celebrated its 125th anniversary. People came from surrounding areas, the streets were flooded with people attending the activities and watching the lengthy parade. In the parade we saw the float decorated in honor of the Home, KS post office. A large sign on the side stated, "**The town's heart is the Post Office.**" Please do not take the heart out of our special town.

Thank you for your kind interest in this matter.

Sincerely,



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Postmaster of Home, KS
Representative Lynn Jenkins
Representative Tim Huelskamp
Senator Jerry Moran
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Mr. Rick Pivovar, Acting District Manager
Central Plains Performance Cluster for USPS
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Dear Mr. Pivovar,

I attended a meeting Thursday, April 7th, in Home City to listen to the dialogue about the possible discontinuing of postal services in Home City, Kansas. Mr. Ron Reilley, Postmaster from Columbus, Nebraska, explained that Home City was one of 24 offices under review for closure in Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa as a cost cutting measure. There were approximately 50 citizens of the area who questioned the discontinuing of the service to the community when in fact it is a very vibrant and growing community.

I am really perplexed as to why this community that needs the service is being targeted when I know of other towns in this region with "no" businesses that are not being considered. I have attached an outline provided by Mr. Dennis Doyle, CEO of Blue Valley Telephone, that really describes the need for continuing the service at Home City. In addition, I have also included letters from various businesses in Home City who have serious concerns about losing the service provided today.

I believe that if we want to grow rural Kansas, we need to keep the services available to those communities who are stepping forward to do just that. I have contacted U.S. Senator Moran's office with the same information and understand that his office is following up with a comprehensive review of the possible closure and what the actual "savings" might be.

Thank you for reconsidering the possible closure of the Home City Post Office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharon Schwartz". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name of the representative.

Representative Sharon Schwartz

cc: Dennis Doyle, CEO, BlueValley Telephone
Jim and Pat Schramm, Lewis Seed & Fertilizer, Inc
Lynn Millenbruch, Cornerstone Granite



June 29, 2011

The Honorable Sharon Schwartz
House of Representatives
300 SW 10th Ave
Topeka KS 66612-1504

Dear Representative Schwartz:

This is in response to your concerns regarding the possible closing of the **Home, Kansas** Post Office. As you know, the Home KS Post Office is currently being "studied" for closure and no decisions have been made. The Public Meeting, which is part of the discontinuance study, was held on April 7, 2011. Customer comments from the Home, KS community are currently being received and reviewed. Your comments and concerns have been forwarded to the Discontinuance Coordinator for review and consideration during the discontinuance study process.

In the event that you do not already have this info, I would like to explain the process for closing and consolidating Post Offices.

The process for "discontinuing" an independent Post Office – either closing it permanently or consolidating it with another Post Office – is established in Title 39, United States Code.

Situations such as lease expiration or a postmaster vacancy in a small Post Office permit a review of that Post Office's business activity to determine if a comparable level of service can be provided by other means. These include options such as the establishment of a contractor-operated facility, or the extension or establishment of delivery service from another office.

The USPS recognizes the importance of local postal facilities within the communities we serve. When considering a closure or consolidation, we carefully follow existing procedures that enable community members to weigh in on the decision.

The law provides that customers of an independent Post Office considered for closing be given the opportunity to share their concerns and views both on the action and on mail service alternatives. Postal management actively solicits and encourages customer participation through the use of customer surveys, public meetings and formal posting of a proposal together with an invitation for comments. Customer comments are taken into account and discussed explicitly in any final determination.

Title 39, U.S. Code, requires that any decision to close or consolidate a Post Office be based on certain criteria, including the effect on the community served; the effect on

Post Office employees; the economic savings to the USPS; in addition, certain mandatory procedures apply:

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- The public must be given 60 days advance notice of the Postal Service's intention to close or consolidate a Post Office.
- After public comments are received and taken into account, any final determination to close or consolidate a Post Office must be made in writing and must include findings covering all the required considerations.
- The written determination must be made available to persons served by the Post Office at least 60 days before the discontinuance takes effect.
- Within the first 30 days after the written determination is made available, any customer of an affected Post Office may appeal the decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC).

The PRC may affirm the USPS's determination or return the matter for further consideration, but may not modify the determination. The Commission is required to make a determination on the appeal no later than 120 days after receiving it.

Absent reason to the contrary, if a Post Office is closed, the community's ZIP Code and city or town name are preserved in customer addresses thus helping to preserve a community's identity.

Emergency Suspension

A USPS District Manager may suspend Post Office operations when an emergency or another factor requires such action. Circumstances that justify a suspension include, but are not limited to:

- a natural disaster;
- the termination of a lease when other adequate quarters are not available;
- lack of qualified employees for the office;
- severe damage to or destruction of the office;
- lack of adequate measures to safeguard the office or its revenue.

The District Manager must provide written notice of any suspension to the Vice President of Delivery and Retail, at USPS Headquarters.

If the District Manager proposes to discontinue a suspended Post Office rather than restore operations, the procedures outlined above must be followed. All of the required notices and other documents must be posted or kept in the Post Office to be discontinued or at offices temporarily serving the customers of the suspended Post Office.

Changes to Code of Federal Regulations (CFR):

On March 31, 2011, the USPS published proposed changes to its retail discontinuance procedures. However, these proposals are not currently in effect. At this time, the process described above continues to apply until a final rule is published.

Other actions:

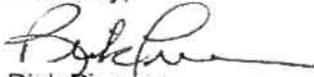
In addition to closures and consolidations of Post Offices, the USPS is also evaluating the consolidation of some stations and branches in larger cities and suburban areas. Under USPS regulations, this process also allows for a public comment period.

The USPS also moves letter carriers from one facility to another to improve overall efficiency. These moves do not affect the array of retail services offered to customers, where such services are available, or relocation of Post Office Boxes.

The USPS follows all applicable collective bargaining processes when considering movement of personnel from one location to another.

If you have additional questions, please direct them to me in writing in care of Sharon Predoehl, Manager, Consumer Affairs, PO Box 199504, Omaha NE 68119-9504. Or, you may fax your inquiries to her at (402) 930-4434.

Sincerely,



Rick Pivovar

District Manager

Central Plains Performance Cluster

Analysis of 60-Day Posting Comments

Number of comments returned

Total questionnaires distributed	3
Favorable comments	0
Unfavorable comments	3
No opinion expressed	0
Total comments returned	3

Postal Concerns

The following postal concerns were expressed

- Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customer expressed a concern about the cost savings obtained by the Postal Service from the closure of Post Offices. Quoting the PRC which said if the Postal Service closed 1000 Post Offices, it would only save 0.7% of the postal budget.

Response:
The Postal Service has developed and begun implementing a range of cost-reducing initiatives. These include: consolidating operations, adjusting delivery routes, restructuring administrative and processing functions and closing district offices. We also have introduced several new products and services, including Priority Mail Flat Rate boxes and Adult Signature service, in an effort to grow revenue.
- Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route service.

Response:
Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously each day.
- Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers expressed concern that the rural carrier is rude.

Response:
Employee courtesy is always a concern of postal managers. Postal employees receive periodic instructions regarding employee courtesy. We do not condone our employees' execution of their duties in an unprofessional or discourteous manner. This concern will be conveyed to the postmaster by the Manager, Post Office Operations.
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Employee courtesy is always a concern of postal managers. Postal employees receive periodic instructions regarding employee courtesy. We do not condone our employees' execution of their duties in an unprofessional or discourteous manner. This concern will be conveyed to the postmaster by the Manager, Post Office Operations.
- Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers felt the cost of postage was increasing while service was decreasing.

Response:
The Postal Service is not immune to rising costs affecting every family and business. We do not receive tax dollars to cover the cost of operations and must adjust our prices to cover our costs. The Postal Service Governors are responsible for approving prices for all Postal Service products and services. For mailing services prices, such as stamp prices, the Postal Service announces the new prices each February and they become effective each May. The Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) reviews the new pricing for compliance with the price cap and other provisions of the Postal Act of 2006.
- Concern (UnFavorable):**
You expressed concerns that the docket stated incorrect information about the retirement of the former Postmaster and the Handicap Accessibility of the Post Office.

Response:
The Postal Service regrets the errors and acknowledges that the former Postmaster retired in 2001 and that the office is indeed Handicap Accessible.

Nonpostal Concerns

The following nonpostal concerns were expressed

- Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers expressed concern for loss of community identity.

Response:
A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the use of the Community name and ZIP Code in addresses.
- Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers felt the loss of the Post Office would discourage new businesses from coming to the community.

Response:
Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided in the community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Most new businesses moving to the community do not depend on the location of a Post Office, but on the provision of effective and regular postal services. Carrier service will accommodate future growth.
- Concern (UnFavorable):**
Customers questioned the economic savings of the proposed discontinuance. Concern was also expressed that too much money was spent in the larger cities.

Response:
Carrier service can be and, in this case, is more cost-effective than maintaining a postal facility and a postmaster position. The Postal Service estimates an annual savings with this change. Additional funds are necessary in larger cities because of a greater workload. Larger cities often realize greater revenue which can offset their greater expenses.

Date of Posting: 07/20/2011

Posting Round Date:

Date of Removal: 09/20/2011

Removal Round Date:

PROPOSAL TO CLOSE
THE HOME, KS POST OFFICE
AND ESTABLISH
SERVICE BY RURAL ROUTE SERVICE
(REVISED)

DOCKET NUMBER 1367282 - 66438

I. RESPONSIVENESS TO COMMUNITY POSTAL NEEDS

The Postal Service is proposing to close the Home, KS Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Marysville Post Office, located seven miles away.

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on January 09, 2001. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office. Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue.

The office is being studied for possible closing or consolidation due to the following reasons: The Postmaster position is vacant. The office has realized a decline in customer demand and work load the last three years.

The Home Post Office, an EAS-53 level, provides service from 08:00 - 12:00 Monday - Friday, Closed Saturday and lobby hours of 08:00-12:00 on Monday - Friday and 0 on Saturday to no post office box or general delivery customers and no delivery customers. Retail services included the sale of stamps, stamped paper, and money orders; special services such as Registered Mail, Certified Mail, Insured Mail, COD Mail, and Express Mail services; and the acceptance and dispatch of all classes of mail.

The retail window averaged 14 transaction(s) accounting for 15 minute(s) of retail workload daily. With minimal workload, the Postal Service feels that effective and regular service will be provided by rural route service. Office receipts for the last 3 years were: \$14,693 (38 revenue units) in FY 2008; \$15,610 (41 revenue units) in FY 2009; and \$14,306 (37 revenue units) in FY 2010. There were one permit mailer(s) or postage meter customer(s).

On April 07, 2011, representatives from the Postal Service were available at Blue Vally Telecommunications lower level meeting room in Home KS to answer questions and provide information to customers. 51 customer(s) attended the meeting.

On March 28, 2011, 176 questionnaires were distributed to delivery customers of the Home Post Office. Questionnaires were also available over the counter for retail customers at the Home Post Office. 51 questionnaires were returned. Responses regarding the proposed alternate service were as follows: 1 favorable, 20 unfavorable, and 30 expressed no opinion.

One congressional inquiry was received on May 05, 2011.

If this proposal is implemented, delivery and retail services will be provided by the Marysville Post Office, an EAS-18 level office. Window service hours at the Marysville Post Office are from 08:30 16:30, Monday through Friday, and 09:00 10:30 on Saturday. There are 328 post office boxes available.

The following concerns were expressed from questionnaires, the community meeting, from customer letters, on the petition, and from the congressional inquiry:

1. **Concern:** Customer expressed a concern about leaving money in the mailbox

Response: The customer also expressed a concern about leaving money in the mailbox. A questionnaire was sent to the postal inspection service concerning mail theft and vandalism in the suspended Post Office area. Their records indicate that there has not been any report of mail theft or vandalism in the area. However, customers may place a note in their mailboxes instructing the carrier to sound their horn when they arrive, in order to transact financial business.
2. **Concern:** Customers asked why their post office was being discontinued while others were retained

Response: The customer asked why the suspended post office was being discontinued while others were retained. Post offices are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. When there is a vacancy in a small office, it is customary to conduct a study of the business activity and investigate the feasibility of providing service by alternate means.
3. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern about collection of outgoing mail

Response: The customer expressed a concern about the collection of outgoing mail. Collection of mail will be made by the carrier when serving the route. The customer should raise the flag on the mailbox to alert the carrier that outgoing mail is to be collected from the mailbox.
4. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern about misdelivered mail

Response: The customer expressed a concern about misdelivered mail. The concern about misdelivery has been brought to the attention of the administrative postmaster. The Postal Service regrets any inconvenience that customers have experienced because of misdelivery. We consider misdelivered mail a very serious problem and appreciate when customers report this to us since it provides an opportunity to take corrective action.

5. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route service

Response: The customer expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day.

6. **Concern:** Customers wanted to know why the customer lines were so long at the adminoffice Post Office

Response: The customer expressed a concern about the waiting time at the administrative Post Office. The administrative Post Office serves a much larger community and has a heavier retail window workload. This concern has been brought to the attention of the administrative postmaster so she can monitor window operations and ensure that customers do not have an unreasonable wait to obtain services. The carrier can provide retail services, alleviating the need for customers to go to the post office for service.

7. **Concern:** Customers were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service

Response: The customer expressed a concern about having to travel to another post office for service. Services provided at the post office will be available from the carrier, and customers will not have to travel to another post office for service. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience.

8. **Concern:** Customers were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier

Response: The customer were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier, retail services provided at the post office are available from the carrier. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience. Listed below are some services available from the carrier and how to obtain them.

PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL

The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase Order (Rural), available from the post office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the post office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Special services such as certified, registered, Express Mail, delivery

confirmation, signature confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the post office during their absence. Upon return the customer asks the post office to resume delivery.

9. **Concern:** You were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about having to travel to another post office for service. Services provided at the post office will be available from the carrier, and customers will not have to travel to another post office for service. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience.
10. **Concern:** Customer expressed a concern about the cost savings obtained by the Postal Service from the closure of Post Offices. Quoting the PRC which said if the Postal Service closed 1000 Post Offices, it would only save 0.7% of the postal budget.
- Response:** The Postal Service has developed and begun implementing a range of cost-reducing initiatives. These include: consolidating operations, adjusting delivery routes, restructuring administrative and processing functions and closing district offices. We also have introduced several new products and services, including Priority Mail Flat Rate boxes and Adult Signature service, in an effort to grow revenue.
11. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route service.
- Response:** Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously each day.
12. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern that the rural carrier is rude.
- Response:** Employee courtesy is always a concern of postal managers. Postal employees receive periodic instructions regarding employee courtesy. We do not condone our employees' execution of their duties in an unprofessional or discourteous manner. This concern will be conveyed to the postmaster by the Manager, Post Office Operations.
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14. **Concern:** Customers felt the cost of postage was increasing while service was decreasing.

- Response:** The Postal Service is not immune to rising costs affecting every family and business. We do not receive tax dollars to cover the cost of operations and must adjust our prices to cover our costs. The Postal Service Governors are responsible for approving prices for all Postal Service products and services. For mailing services prices, such as stamp prices, the Postal Service announces the new prices each February and they become effective each May. The Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) reviews the new pricing for compliance with the price cap and other provisions of the Postal Act of 2006.
15. **Concern:** You expressed concerns that the docket stated incorrect information about the retirement of the former Postmaster and the Handicap Accessibility of the Post Office.
- Response:** The Postal Service regrets the errors and acknowledges that the former Postmaster retired in 2001 and that the office is indeed Handicap Accessible.
16. **Concern:** Customer expressed a concern about package delivery and pickup
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about package delivery and pickup. Rural carriers will deliver packages that fit in your rural mail box, if the package does not fit in the mail box, the carrier will deliver the package up to ½ mile off of the line of travel, at a designated place, such as on your porch or under a carport.
17. **Concern:** Customer inquired about appeal process.
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about the discontinuance appeal process. If the study progresses you have a 60 day window for appeals and if it progresses beyond that point, a 30 day window for appeals to the Postal Regulatory Commission.
18. **Concern:** Customer representing Blue Valley Communications questioned the revenue decline.
- Response:** The survey reflects retail revenue. Blue Valley Communications utilizes a meter and that would not reflect in retail revenue.
19. **Concern:** Customers commented that the two week survey time period was unfair.
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about the timing of the survey time. The timeline for the surveys was February 26 through March 11, 2011.
20. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern over the apparent lack of interest by the Postal Service for the needs of the community
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern that the Postal Service exhibits a lack of interest in the mailing needs of the community. The Postal Service is required to provide each community with regular and effective service, using the most cost efficient means possible. The proposed alternate delivery service will meet the mailing and service needs of the community in a more cost effective manner.
21. **Concern:** Customers felt the cost of postage was increasing while service was decreasing
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about the increasing cost of postage while service was decreasing. The Postal Service is not immune to rising costs affecting every family and business. We do not receive tax dollars to cover the cost of operations and must adjust our prices to cover our costs. The Postal Service Governors are responsible for approving prices for all Postal Service products and services. For mailing services prices, such as stamp prices, the Postal Service announces the new prices each February and they become effective each May. The Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) reviews the new pricing for compliance with the price cap and other provisions of the Postal Act of 2006.
22. **Concern:** Customers were concerned about a change of ZIP Code
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about a change of ZIP Code. Your zip code will not change.

23. **Concern:**

Customers were concerned about permit mailing

Response:

The customer expressed a concern about permit mailing that was input at the suspended Post Office. Responsibility for the permit account will be/has been transferred to the administrative Post Office. Mailings must be submitted to that office for verification. Customers interested in obtaining a permit should contact the administrative postmaster.

24. **Concern:**

Customers were concerned about the limited hours of operation at the post office

Response:

The customer expressed a concern about the limited hours of operation at the post office. Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue. A workload analysis conducted in 02/26/2011 - 03/11/2011.

Some advantages of the proposal are:

1. The rural or contract delivery carrier may provide retail services, alleviating the need to go to the post office. Stamps by Mail order forms are provided for customer convenience.
2. Customers opting for carrier service will have 24-hour access to their mail.
3. Savings for the Postal Service contribute in the long run to stable postage rates and savings for customers.
4. CBUs can offer the security of individually locked mail compartments. Parcel lockers provide convenient parcel delivery for customers.
5. Customers opting for carrier service will not have to pay post office box fees.
6. Saves time and energy for customers who drive to the post office to pick up mail.

Some disadvantages of the proposal are:

1. The loss of a retail outlet and a postmaster position in the community. Retail services may be provided by the rural or contract delivery carrier.
2. Meeting the rural or contract delivery carrier at the box to transact business. However, it is not necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions.
3. A change in the mailing address. The community name will continue to be used in the new address. A carrier route address will be assigned.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service concludes this proposal will provide a maximum degree of effective and regular postal services to the community.

II. EFFECT ON COMMUNITY

Home is an unincorporated community located in MARSHALL County. The community is administered politically by Marshall County . Police protection is provided by the Marshall County Sheriff. Fire protection is provided by the Home Volunteer Fire Dept. The community is comprised of farm/ag related, and those who commute to work at nearby communities and work in local businesses.

Businesses and organizations include: Blue Valley Telemarketing Blue Valley Communications Lewis Seed & Fertilizer Home City Grain Little Haps Grace's Korner Cornerstone Granite Family Home Treasurers Home Interior Decorating & Gifts Mary Kay Consultant Fisher Rock Oliver Transmission Home Insurance Agency R&G Tools Flow Design Tech D&L hay Moorman Dealer - K Koch Hermes Customer Harvester Don Prell Realtor Stumps Smoke Meats Hawkins Trucking Ag Transport Bossie' Best Longhorn Opportunities D&D Custom Hay Smith Trucking Ketter Construction Spring Creek Ag Regency Cleaning Broxterman Tractor Repair Wassneberg Stump Removal Musil Cleaning Service . Residents may travel to nearby communities for other supplies and services.

Nonpostal services provided at the Home Post Office will be available at the Marysville Post Office. Government forms normally provided by the Post Office will also be available at the Marysville Post Office or by contacting your local government agency.

The following nonpostal concerns were expressed from questionnaires, the community meeting, on the petition, and on the congressional inquiry:

1. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern for loss of community identity
Response: The customer expressed a concern about the loss of the Communities' identity. A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the use of the suspended Post Office name and ZIP Code in addresses and in the National Five-Digit ZIP Code and Post Office Directory.
2. **Concern:** Customers felt the loss of a post office would have a detrimental effect on the business community
Response: The customer expressed a concern about the detrimental effect the loss of the post office would have on the community. Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided to the suspended Post Office community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Questionnaire responses revealed that customers will continue to use local businesses if the post office is discontinued.
3. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern for loss of community identity.

Response: A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the use of the Community name and ZIP Code in addresses.

4. **Concern:** Customers felt the loss of the Post Office would discourage new businesses from coming to the community.

Response: Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided in the community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Most new businesses moving to the community do not depend on the location of a Post Office, but on the provision of effective and regular postal services. Carrier service will accommodate future growth.

5. **Concern:** Customers questioned the economic savings of the proposed discontinuance. Concern was also expressed that too much money was spent in the larger cities.

Response: Carrier service can be and, in this case, is more cost-effective than maintaining a postal facility and a postmaster position. The Postal Service estimates an annual savings with this change. Additional funds are necessary in larger cities because of a greater workload. Larger cities often realize greater revenue which can offset their greater expenses.

3. **Concern:** Customers felt the post office should remain open since they paid taxes

Response: The customer expressed a concern that since the people of your community paid taxes the post office should remain open. The Postal Service is not supported by tax dollars and must meet expenses by revenue it generates. Operational savings for the Postal Service contributes in the long run to stable postage rates and savings for customers.

Based on the information obtained in the course of this discontinuance study, the Postal Service concludes this proposal will not adversely affect the community.

III. EFFECT ON EMPLOYEES

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on January 09, 2001. The noncareer postmaster relief (PMR) may be separated from the Postal Service. No other Postal Service employee will be adversely affected. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office.

IV. ECONOMIC SAVINGS

The Postal Service estimates an annual savings of \$ 25,042 with a breakdown as follows:

Postmaster Salary (EAS-53, No COLA)	\$ 15,350
Fringe Benefits @ 33.5%	\$ 5,142
Annual Lease Costs	<u>+ \$ 4,550</u>
Total Annual Costs	\$ 25,042
Less Annual Cost of Replacement Service	<u>- \$ 0</u>
Total Annual Savings	<u>\$ 25,042</u>

V. OTHER FACTORS

The Postal Service has identified no other factors for consideration.

VI. SUMMARY

The Postal Service is proposing to close the Home, KS Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Marysville Post Office, located seven miles away.

The postmaster retired on January 09, 2001. If the office has a noncareer PMR(s), they may be separated from the Postal Service; however, attempts will be made to reassign the employee(s) to a nearby facility. No other employee(s) will be adversely affected. Post office workload has declined. Effective and regular service will continue to be provided by rural route service.

The Home Post Office provided delivery and retail service to no PO Box or general delivery customers and no delivery route customers. The daily retail window transactions averaged 14. There are one permit mailers or postage meter customers.

There will no longer be a retail outlet in the community. However, delivery and retail services may be available from a rural or contract delivery carrier, which could alleviate the need to travel to a Post Office for service. The Postal Service will save an estimated \$25,042 annually. A disadvantage to some may be in meeting the rural or contract delivery carrier to transact business. However, it is not necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions with a rural or contract delivery carrier.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service has determined that the advantages outweigh the disadvantages and this proposal is warranted.

VII. NOTICES

- A. Support Materials. Copies of all materials upon which this proposal is based are available for public inspection at the Home Post Office and Marysville Post Office during normal office hours.
- B. This is a proposal. It is not a final determination to close this post office. If a final determination is made to close this post office, after public comments on this proposal are received and taken into account, a notice of that final determination will be posted in this office.

The final determination will contain instructions on how affected customers may appeal that decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission. Any such appeal must be received by the commission within 30 days of the posting of the final determination.



SAMUEL GONZALES
Manager, Post Office Operations

07/20/2011
Date

U.S. Postal Service POST OFFICE CLOSING OR CONSOLIDATION PROPOSAL Fact Sheet				1. Date Prepared																								
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10/04/2011

MEMO TO THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Certification of the Record
HOME
Docket Number 1367282 - 66438

This certifies that all comments and documents enclosed in the attached record are originals, or true and correct copies of the originals.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rick Pivovar", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

RICK PIVOVAR
District Manager

LOG OF POST OFFICE DISCONTINUANCE ACTIONS

Office Name, State, ZIP Code: HOME, KS, 66438-9998
 EAS Level: 53
 District: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC
 County: MARSHALL
 Congressional District: Kansas 1st

Proposal: Close Consolidate

Reason For Proposed: retired
 Alternate Service Proposed: Rural Route Service

Customers Affected:

Post Office Box:	0
General Delivery:	0
Rural Route:	0
Highway Contract Route (HCR):	0
City Route:	0
Intermediate Rural:	0
Intermediate HCR:	0
Total number of customers:	0

Date	Action
	Office suspended. Reason suspended:
	Suspension notice sent to Headquarters.
01/09/2001	Postmaster vacancy occurred. Reason: retired
	OIC: Career: 0 Noncareer: 1 Other Employees: 0
02/04/2011	District manager authorization to study.
03/28/2011	Questionnaires sent to customers. Number sent: 176 Number Returned: 51 Analysis: Favorable 1 Unfavorable 20 No Opinion 30
	Petition received. Number of signatures: 0 Concerns expressed:
05/05/2011	Congressional inquiry received: Yes Concerns expressed:
07/06/2011	Proposal and checklist sent to district for review.
07/06/2011	Government Relations and Retail Operations notified by district 10 days before the 60-day posting (PS Form 4920 attached).
07/06/2011	Proposal and invitation for comments posted and round-dated.
10/03/2011	Proposal and invitation for comments removed and round-dated. Comment Analysis: Favorable 0 Unfavorable 3 No Opinion 0 3
None	Premature PRC appeal received. Concerns expressed:
10/04/2011	Updated PS Form 4920 completed (if necessary).
10/04/2011	Certification of the official record.
10/07/2011	District transmittal of official record to vice president, Delivery and Retail, and copy of transmittal letter to vice president, Area Operations.
10/11/2011	Headquarters logged in official record (option entry). Record returned to district for additional consideration. Record returned as not warranted.
10/17/2011	Final determination posted at affected office(s) and round-dated. Final determination removed and round-dated. Postal Bulletin Post Office Change Announcement form sent to Headquarters. No appeals letter received from Headquarters.
11/18/2011	Appeal to PRC received. PRC opinion received on appeal: Affirmed: _____ Remanded: _____ USPS Withdrawn: _____ Address management systems notified to updated AMS report. Discontinuance announced in Postal Bulletin No.: _____ Effective date: _____

Review Coordinator/person most familiar with the case:

LEANN TVRDY
 Name/Title
LEANN TVRDY
 District Post Office Review Coordinator

(402) 930-4431
 Telephone Number
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10/07/2011

VICE PRESIDENT, DELIVERY AND POST OFFICE OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
475 L'ENFANT PLAZA ROOM 5621
WASHINGTON DC 20260-5621

SUBJECT: Official Record

Enclosed for your review and approval is the official record to discontinue the Home Post Office.

All appropriate actions have been taken, and we have considered the concerns/comments of affected customers. The record has been thoroughly reviewed, and all necessary documentation is included. All documents in the record are numbered and contain docket and item numbers on each page and a chronological index of all documents in the record is included. Effective and regular service will be provided to community residents by permanently implementing the alternative service proposed.

Refer questions about this Post Office discontinuance to LeAnn Tvrdy, Post Office Review Coordinator, at (402) 930-4431 or Samuel Gonzales Manager Post Office Operations.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rick PivoVAR".

RICK PIVOVAR
DISTRICT MANAGER
6005 LOCKHEED COURT
OMAHA, NE 68119-9500

Enclosures:

One copy of record (<http://hqcsopps.usps.gov/public/dis/4E/P1367282.pdf>)
Headquarters acknowledgment of receipt of official record (optional)
Self-addressed envelope

cc: Vice President, WESTERN Area (no enclosures)

Headquarters Acknowledgment of Receipt of Official Record

The official record to consolidate the HOME was received by 10/11/2011.
Please contact the Headquarters coordinator at (916) 916-8315 or the address below for additional information regarding its status.

475 L'ENFANT PLAZA SW ROOM 6700
WASHINGTON DC 20260-6700

Enclosure: (self-addressed envelope)

***Note:** The acknowledgment form is optional and to be used at the district's discretion. Please provide the following memorandum **and** **and a self-addressed return envelope** if you wish to receive an acknowledgment of Headquarters receipt of the record.

Date of Posting: 10/17/2011

Date of Removal: 11/18/2011

FINAL DETERMINATION TO CLOSE
THE HOME, KS POST OFFICE
AND ESTABLISH
SERVICE BY RURAL ROUTE SERVICE

I. RESPONSIVENESS TO COMMUNITY POSTAL NEEDS

The Postal Service is issuing the final determination to close the Home, KS Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Marysville Post Office, located seven miles away.

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on January 09, 2001. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office. Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue.

The office was studied for possible closing or consolidation due to the following reasons: The Postmaster position is vacant. The office has realized a decline in customer demand and work load the last three years.

The Home Post Office, an EAS-53 level, provides service from 08:00 - 12:00 Monday - Friday, Closed Saturday and lobby hours of 08:00-12:00 on Monday - Friday and 0 on Saturday to no post office box or general delivery customers and no delivery customers. Retail services included the sale of stamps, stamped paper, and money orders; special services such as Registered Mail, Certified Mail, Insured Mail, COD Mail, and Express Mail services; and the acceptance and dispatch of all classes of mail.

The retail window averaged 14 transaction(s) accounting for 15 minute(s) of retail workload daily. With minimal workload, the Postal Service feels that effective and regular service will be provided by rural route service. Office receipts for the last 3 years were: \$14,693 (38 revenue units) in FY 2008; \$15,610 (41 revenue units) in FY 2009; and \$14,306 (37 revenue units) in FY 2010. There were one permit mailer(s) or postage meter customer(s).

On April 07, 2011, representatives from the Postal Service were available at Blue Vally Telecommunications lower level meeting room in Home KS to answer questions and provide information to customers. 51 customer(s) attended the meeting.

On March 28, 2011, 176 questionnaires were distributed to delivery customers of the Home Post Office. Questionnaires were also available over the counter for retail customers at the Home Post Office. 51 questionnaires were returned. Responses regarding the proposed alternate service were as follows: 1 favorable, 20 unfavorable, and 30 expressed no opinion.

One congressional inquiry was received on May 05, 2011.

When this final determination is implemented, delivery and retail services will be provided by the Marysville Post Office, an EAS-18 level office. Window service hours at the Marysville Post Office are from 08:30 16:30, Monday through Friday, and 09:00 10:30 on Saturday. There are 328 post office boxes available.

The proposal to close the Home Post Office was posted with an invitation for comment at the Home Post Office and Marysville Post Office from July 20, 2011 to September 20, 2011. The following additional concerns were received during the proposal posting period:

1. **Concern:** Customer expressed a concern about leaving money in the mailbox

Response: The customer also expressed a concern about leaving money in the mailbox. A questionnaire was sent to the postal inspection service concerning mail theft and vandalism in the suspended Post Office area. Their records indicate that there has not been any report of mail theft or vandalism in the area. However, customers may place a note in their mailboxes instructing the carrier to sound their horn when they arrive, in order to transact financial business.
2. **Concern:** Customers asked why their post office was being discontinued while others were retained

Response: The customer asked why the suspended post office was being discontinued while others were retained. Post offices are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. When there is a vacancy in a small office, it is customary to conduct a study of the business activity and investigate the feasibility of providing service by alternate means.
3. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern about collection of outgoing mail

Response: The customer expressed a concern about the collection of outgoing mail. Collection of mail will be made by the carrier when serving the route. The customer should raise the flag on the mailbox to alert the carrier that outgoing mail is to be collected from the mailbox.
4. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern about misdelivered mail

Response:

The customer expressed a concern about misdelivered mail. The concern about misdelivery has been brought to the attention of the administrative postmaster. The Postal Service regrets any inconvenience that customers have experienced because of misdelivery. We consider misdelivered mail a very serious problem and appreciate when customers report this to us since it provides an opportunity to take corrective action.

5. **Concern:**

Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route service

Response:

The customer expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day.

6. **Concern:**

Customers wanted to know why the customer lines were so long at the administrative Post Office

Response:

The customer expressed a concern about the waiting time at the administrative Post Office. The administrative Post Office serves a much larger community and has a heavier retail window workload. This concern has been brought to the attention of the administrative postmaster so she can monitor window operations and ensure that customers do not have an unreasonable wait to obtain services. The carrier can provide retail services, alleviating the need for customers to go to the post office for service.

7. **Concern:**

Customers were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service

Response:

The customer expressed a concern about having to travel to another post office for service. Services provided at the post office will be available from the carrier, and customers will not have to travel to another post office for service. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience.

8. **Concern:**

Customers were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier

Response:

The customer were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier, retail services provided at the post office are available from the carrier. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience. Listed below are some services available from the carrier and how to obtain them.

PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL

The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase Order (Rural), available from the post office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the post office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide

the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Special services such as certified, registered, Express Mail, delivery confirmation, signature confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the post office during their absence. Upon return the customer asks the post office to resume delivery.

9. **Concern:** You were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service
- Response:** The customer expressed a concern about having to travel to another post office for service. Services provided at the post office will be available from the carrier, and customers will not have to travel to another post office for service. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience.
10. **Concern:** Customer expressed a concern about the cost savings obtained by the Postal Service from the closure of Post Offices. Quoting the PRC which said if the Postal Service closed 1000 Post Offices, it would only save 0.7% of the postal budget.
- Response:** The Postal Service has developed and begun implementing a range of cost-reducing initiatives. These include: consolidating operations, adjusting delivery routes, restructuring administrative and processing functions and closing district offices. We also have introduced several new products and services, including Priority Mail Flat Rate boxes and Adult Signature service, in an effort to grow revenue.
11. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route service.
- Response:** Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously each day.
12. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern that the rural carrier is rude.
- Response:** Employee courtesy is always a concern of postal managers. Postal employees receive periodic instructions regarding employee courtesy. We do not condone our employees' execution of their duties in an unprofessional or discourteous manner. This concern will be conveyed to the postmaster by the Manager, Post Office Operations.
13. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern that the rural mail carrier is rude.
- Response:** Employee courtesy is always a concern of postal managers. Postal employees receive periodic instructions regarding employee courtesy. We do not condone our employees' execution of their duties in an unprofessional or discourteous manner. This concern will be conveyed to the postmaster by the Manager, Post Office Operations.
14. **Concern:** Customers felt the cost of postage was increasing while service was decreasing.

Response:

The Postal Service is not immune to rising costs affecting every family and business. We do not receive tax dollars to cover the cost of operations and must adjust our prices to cover our costs. The Postal Service Governors are responsible for approving prices for all Postal Service products and services. For mailing services prices, such as stamp prices, the Postal Service announces the new prices each February and they become effective each May. The Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) reviews the new pricing for compliance with the price cap and other provisions of the Postal Act of 2006.

15. **Concern:**

You expressed concerns that the docket stated incorrect information about the retirement of the former Postmaster and the Handicap Accessibility of the Post Office.

Response:

The Postal Service regrets the errors and acknowledges that the former Postmaster retired in 2001 and that the office is indeed Handicap Accessible.

16. **Concern:**

Customer expressed a concern about package delivery and pickup

Response:

The customer expressed a concern about package delivery and pickup. Rural carriers will deliver packages that fit in your rural mail box, if the package does not fit in the mail box, the carrier will deliver the package up to ½ mile off of the line of travel, at a designated place, such as on your porch or under a carport.

17. **Concern:**

Customer inquired about appeal process.

Response:

The customer expressed a concern about the discontinuance appeal process. If the study progresses you have a 60 day window for appeals and if it progresses beyond that point, a 30 day window for appeals to the Postal Regulatory Commission.

18. **Concern:**

Customer representing Blue Valley Communications questioned the revenue decline.

Response:

The survey reflects retail revenue. Blue Valley Communications utilizes a meter and that would not reflect in retail revenue.

19. **Concern:**

Customers commented that the two week survey time period was unfair.

Response:

The customer expressed a concern about the timing of the survey time. The timeline for the surveys was February 26 through March 11, 2011.

20. **Concern:**

Customers expressed concern over the apparent lack of interest by the Postal Service for the needs of the community

Response:

The customer expressed a concern that the Postal Service exhibits a lack of interest in the mailing needs of the community. The Postal Service is required to provide each community with regular and effective service, using the most cost efficient means possible. The proposed alternate delivery service will meet the mailing and service needs of the community in a more cost effective manner.

21. **Concern:**

Customers felt the cost of postage was increasing while service was decreasing

Response:

The customer expressed a concern about the increasing cost of postage while service was decreasing. The Postal Service is not immune to rising costs affecting every family and business. We do not receive tax dollars to cover the cost of operations and must adjust our prices to cover our costs. The Postal Service Governors are responsible for approving prices for all Postal Service products and services. For mailing services prices, such as stamp prices, the Postal Service announces the new prices each February and they become effective each May. The Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) reviews the new pricing for compliance with the price cap and other provisions of the Postal Act of 2006.

22. **Concern:**

Customers were concerned about a change of ZIP Code

Response: The customer expressed a concern about a change of ZIP Code. Your zip code will not change.

23. **Concern:** Customers were concerned about permit mailing

Response: The customer expressed a concern about permit mailing that was input at the suspended Post Office. Responsibility for the permit account will be/has been transferred to the administrative Post Office. Mailings must be submitted to that office for verification. Customers interested in obtaining a permit should contact the administrative postmaster.

24. **Concern:** Customers were concerned about the limited hours of operation at the post office

Response: The customer expressed a concern about the limited hours of operation at the post office. Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue. A workload analysis conducted in 02/26/2011 - 03/11/2011.

Some advantages of the proposal are:

1. The rural and contract carriers may provide retail services, alleviating the need to go to the post office. Stamps by Mail order forms are provided for customer convenience.
2. Customers opting for carrier service will have 24-hour access to their mail.
3. Savings for the Postal Service contribute in the long run to stable postage rates and savings for customers.
4. CBUs can offer the security of individually locked mail compartments. Parcel lockers provide convenient parcel delivery for customers.
5. Customers opting for carrier service will not have to pay post office box fees.
6. Saves time and energy for customers who drive to the post office to pick up mail.

Some disadvantages of the proposal are:

1. The loss of a retail outlet. Retail services may be provided by the rural or contract delivery carrier.
2. Meeting the rural or contract delivery carrier at the box to transact business. However, it is not necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions.
3. A change in the mailing address. The community name will continue to be used in the new address. A carrier route address will be assigned.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service concludes this final determination will provide a maximum degree of effective and regular postal services to the community.

II. EFFECT ON COMMUNITY

Home is an unincorporated community located in MARSHALL County. The community is administered politically by Marshall County. Police protection is provided by the Marshall County Sheriff. Fire protection is provided by the Home Volunteer Fire Dept. The community is comprised of farm/ag related and those who commute to work at nearby communities and may work in local businesses.

Businesses and organizations include: Blue Valley Telemarketing Blue Valley Communications Lewis Seed & Fertilizer Home City Grain Little Haps Grace's Korner Cornerstone Granite Family Home Treasurers Home Interior Decorating & Gifts Mary Kay Consultant Fisher Rock Oliver Transmission Home Insurance Agency R&G Tools Flow Design Tech D&L hay Moorman Dealer - K Koch Hermes Customer Harvester Don Prell Realtor Stumps Smoke Meats Hawkins Trucking Ag Transport Bossie' Best Longhorn Opportunities D&D Custom Hay Smith Trucking Ketter Construction Spring Creek Ag Regency Cleaning Broxterman Tractor Repair Wassneberg Stump Removal Musil Cleaning Service. Residents may travel to nearby communities for other supplies and services.

Nonpostal services provided at the Home Post Office will be available at the Marysville Post Office. Government forms normally provided by the Post Office will also be available at the Marysville Post Office or by contacting your local government agency.

The following nonpostal concerns were expressed from questionnaires, the community meeting, on the petition, and on the congressional inquiry:

1. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern for loss of community identity

Response: The customer expressed a concern about the loss of the Communities' identity. A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the use of the suspended Post Office name and ZIP Code in addresses and in the National Five-Digit ZIP Code and Post Office Directory.

2. **Concern:** Customers felt the loss of a post office would have a detrimental effect on the business community

Response: The customer expressed a concern about the detrimental effect the loss of the post office would have on the community. Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided to the suspended Post Office community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Questionnaire responses revealed that customers will continue to use local businesses if the post office is discontinued.

3. **Concern:** Customers expressed concern for loss of community identity.

Response: A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the use of the Community name and ZIP Code in addresses.

4. **Concern:** Customers felt the loss of the Post Office would discourage new businesses from coming to the community.

Response: Businesses generally require regular and effective postal services, and these will always be provided in the community. There is no indication that the business community will be adversely affected. Most new businesses moving to the community do not depend on the location of a Post Office, but on the provision of effective and regular postal services. Carrier service will accommodate future growth.

5. **Concern:** Customers questioned the economic savings of the proposed discontinuance. Concern was also expressed that too much money was spent in the larger cities.

Response: Carrier service can be and, in this case, is more cost-effective than maintaining a postal facility and a postmaster position. The Postal Service estimates an annual savings with this change. Additional funds are necessary in larger cities because of a greater workload. Larger cities often realize greater revenue which can offset their greater expenses.

6. **Concern:** Customers felt the post office should remain open since they paid taxes

Response: The customer expressed a concern that since the people of your community paid taxes the post office should remain open. The Postal Service is not supported by tax dollars and must meet expenses by revenue it generates. Operational savings for the Postal Service contributes in the long run to stable postage rates and savings for customers.

Based on the information obtained in the course of this discontinuance study, the Postal Service concludes this final determination will not adversely affect the community.

III. EFFECT ON EMPLOYEES

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on January 09, 2001. The noncareer postmaster relief (PMR) may be separated from the Postal Service. No other Postal Service employee will be adversely affected. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office.

IV. ECONOMIC SAVINGS

The Postal Service estimates an annual savings of \$ 25,042 with a breakdown as follows:

Postmaster Salary (EAS-53, No COLA)	\$ 15,350
Fringe Benefits @ 33.5%	\$ 5,142
Annual Lease Costs	<u>+ \$ 4,550</u>

Total Annual Costs	\$ 25,042
Less Annual Cost of Replacement Service	<u>-\$ 0</u>
Total Annual Savings	<u>\$ 25,042</u>

V. OTHER FACTORS

The Postal Service has identified no other factors for consideration.

VI. SUMMARY

This is the final determination to close the Home, KS Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Marysville Post Office, located seven miles away.

The postmaster retired on January 09, 2001. If the office has a noncareer PMR(s), they may be separated from the Postal Service; however, attempts will be made to reassign the employee(s) to a nearby facility. No other employee(s) will be adversely affected. The workload has declined. Effective and regular service will continue to be provided by rural route service.

The Home Post Office provided delivery and retail service to no PO Box or general delivery customers and no delivery route customers. The daily retail window transactions averaged 14. There are one permit mailers or postage meter customers.

There will no longer be a retail outlet in the community. However, delivery and retail services may be available from a rural or contract delivery carrier, which could alleviate the need to travel to a Post Office for service. The Postal Service will save an estimated \$25,042 annually. A disadvantage to some will be in meeting the rural or contract delivery carrier to transact business. However, it is not necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions with rural or contract delivery carrier.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service has determined that the advantages outweigh the disadvantages and this final determination is warranted.

VII. NOTICES

- A. Support Materials. Copies of all materials upon which this final determination is based are available for public inspection at the Home Post Office and Marysville Post Office during normal office hours.
- B. Appeal Rights. This final determination to close the Home Post Office may be appealed by any person served by that office to the Postal Regulatory Commission at 901 New York Ave NW, Suite 200, Washington DC 20268-0001. Appeals must be received by the Commission within 30 days of the date this final determination is posted. If an appeal is filed, copies of appeal documents prepared by the Postal Regulatory Commission or the parties to the appeal will be made available for public inspection at Home Post Office and Marysville Post Office during normal office hours.



Dean J Granholm
Vice President of Delivery and Post Office Operations

10/11/2011

Date



10/17/2011

OFFICER-IN-CHARGE/POSTMASTER
Home Post Office

SUBJECT: Letter of Instructions Regarding Posting of the Home Post Office Final Determination
Docket No. 1367282 - 66438

Please post in the lobby the enclosed final determination to close the Home Post Office. The final determination must be posted in a prominent place from 10/17/2011 through close of business on 11/18/2011. It must be posted for at least 30 days and the first day does not count. Additionally, please take down the posted "Notice of Taking Proposal and Comments under Internal Consideration" and return to this office.

Round-date stamp the cover of the final determination on the date of posting and on the date of removal. Please send the final determination to me by close of business on 11/19/2011.

Additional copies of the final determination are enclosed. Provide them to customers upon request.

Also enclosed is the official record upon which this final determination is based. Customers may read it; however, they may not remove it from your office. When a customer requests a copy of the record, provide it upon payment of any fees prescribed in Administrative Support Manual. If you do not have photocopy equipment, take the customer's name, address and telephone number and contact the district for needed copies.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (402) 930-4431.

Sincerely,


LEANN TVRDY
POST OFFICE REVIEW COORDINATOR
6005 LOCKHEED COURT
OMAHA, NE 68119-9500

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FINAL DETERMINATION TO CLOSE
THE HOME, KS POST OFFICE
AND ESTABLISH
SERVICE BY RURAL ROUTE SERVICE

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**Postal Bulletin Post Office Change Announcement Form
Final Determination 30-Day Posting Dates**

Post Office Final Determination Posting Dates*

Date posted: 10/17/2011

Actual discontinuance date: 01/03/2012

Date removed: 11/18/2011

Official discontinuance date:

No. of days posted: 32

(Headquarters entry):

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Note: Unless otherwise stated, the official discontinuance date listed in the Postal Bulletin is the first Saturday that falls 60 days after the final determination is posted. For a community Post Office, classified station, or classified branch, the discontinuance date is 60 days after the Headquarters approval date.

**BEFORE CHANGE
POST OFFICE INFORMATION**

Post Office

Name and State: HOME, KS

ZIP Code: 66438-9998 Finance no: 194235

Type of discontinuance:

Consolidate () Close (X)

Type of discontinued facility

Post Office (X)

Classified Station () Branch () MAIN_PO

Community Post Office (CPO) ()

Coordinator name: LEANN TVRDY

Telephone: (402) 930-4431

**AFTER CHANGE
POST OFFICE INFORMATION**

Administrative

Post Office: MARYSVILLE

ZIP Code: 66508-9998 Finance no: 195764

Original name retained? Yes (X) No ()

New last line of customer address is:

HOME KS,66438

Type of replacement service

Post Office (X)

Classified Station () Branch ()

Contract Unit () Community Post Office (CPO) ()

Date:

(Location) District: CENTRAL PLAINS PFC

Mailing instructions for independent Post Office discontinuance. When the final determination is removed, send the round-dated front cover showing the posting dates and three copies of this *Postal Bulletin Post Office Change Announcement* form to:

RETAIL OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
475 L'ENFANT PLAZA SW ROOM 6806
WASHINGTON DC 20260-6806

The announcement cannot be made in the Postal Bulletin unless this form is submitted to the above address. Do not send directly to Address Management, Postal Service Headquarters.

Mailing instructions for CPO/classified station/classified branch discontinuance. Immediately submit three copies of this announcement form to the above address. For nonsuspended offices, enclose a copy of the letter sent to customers notifying them of the discontinuance.

For more information, call (202) 268-5083.

Headquarters entry: () RR () KR

*Final determination posting is not required for CPO, classified station, or classified branch discontinuance.

Final determination for an independent Post Office must be posted for at least 30 days.



11/18/2011

DISTRICT MANAGER
CENTRAL PLAINS PFC
6005 LOCKHEED COURT
OMAHA, NE, 68119-9500

ATTENTION: Post Office Review Coordinator

SUBJECT: Announcement of Appeal to the Discontinuance of the
HOME, 66438-9998 Docket No. 1367282 - 66438

This is to advise you that an appeal to the final determination to discontinue the HOME has been filed with the Postal Regulatory Commission. The Headquarters managing counsel, legal policy and ratemaking office, will provide you with copies of all pleadings, notices, orders, briefs, and opinions filed in the appeal proceeding.

In accordance with the Postal Operations Manual, please ensure that a copy of these documents, as well as the final determination, are prominently displayed and made available for inspection by the public at the affected Post Offices until the Commission has issued its final order and opinion. The Postal Regulatory commission has up to 120 days (four months) to consider the appeal and issue its decision.

No final action may be taken until the final decision has been made and you have received written notification of that decision along with appropriate instructions.

This memorandum must be filed in the official record.

If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Romero at (916) 373-8315.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Kevin Romero
Manager Field Performance West

cc:
Vice President, Area Operations WESTERN Area
Government Relations and Public Policy

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November 9, 2011

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To Whom It May Concern:

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We originally replied to your proposal to close our post office here in Home, Kansas on August 16, 2011. At that time we pointed out some mistakes in your docket. Since we are now in the final appeal process, we believe it is time to once again plead our case and point out areas with errors, as no attempt has been made to correct these errors.

POSTAL REGULATORY
COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

The most glaring error that you refuse to recognize involves what this office costs to operate. You insist that our postmaster (OIC) receives \$15,350 per annum in salary and an additional \$5,142 per annum in fringe benefits. While we trust the lady who runs our post office would gladly accept these amounts, she actually receives \$11.98 per hour along with no fringe benefits. Since this office is open only 20 hours per week (no Saturday service thank you), the total outlay for personnel here is less than \$12,000, (holidays x 4 hours x no pay), not the \$20,492 you keep insisting on.

The final and perhaps the most important consideration for an appeal concerning the closing the Home, Kansas post office involves the conducting of your "proposed discontinuance" meeting here on April 7, 2011. This meeting was conducted by Ron Reilly, postmaster at Columbus, Nebraska, and Dorothy Bryan, postmaster at Auburn, Kansas. In your handbook PO-101, Section 253, you state that community meetings are to be held by a District Manager or Manager of Post Office Operations. The handbook does not state that anyone else should be conducting these meetings. Since we did not have the proper representation at our meeting, we think an appeal is in order and we hope you will give us the meeting we deserve with the proper personnel in attendance.

Received

NOV 14 2011

Office of PAGR

Thank you for your time.

Pat and Jim Schramm
Lewis Seed and Fertilizer
208 2nd Street
Home, Ks 66438

August 10, 2011

To Whom It May Concern:

The following is an appeal to keep the Home, Kansas Post Office open. We received the official docket to notify this community of your decision to close the Post Office. There are several errors in the docket.

1. The Home Post Office does not have a Postmaster. We have an O.I.C. Therefore the salary outlay is not \$15,350. She is an hourly employee and she does NOT receive benefits...both are errors in the docket. Total cost for the office would be less than \$20,000.
2. The docket states the Postmaster retired in 2001. That is also an error. The last Postmaster was Frank Peterson, and he retired in 1989.
3. The docket states the Marysville Post Office has window service all day long, when they are actually closed from 11 a.m. to Noon...not convenient for someone who has a lunch hour at that time.
4. Stated in the docket is that the Home Post Office is not handicap accessible. If you view the photos of the Post Office in the docket you can clearly see the handicap ramp...the Post Office is indeed handicap accessible.
5. The revenue is not stated. Blue Valley Telecommunications, one of our many local businesses, sends out 6,000 statements a month to their customers...along with advertising flyers, and a newsletter at least ten times each year, in addition to a yearly report sent to each customer. Another business, Fisher Rock, mail all of their rock sales through our Post Office. Home City Grain, and Lewis Seed and Fertilizer, also send out monthly statements. The revenue at our Post Office is over \$50,000 each year. Our Post Office definitely has revenue.
6. The docket contains patron questionnaires from other communities. We thought this was a docket exclusively for Home, Kansas...

We attended three area meetings concerning the closing of local Post Offices. Each time we were told the Postal Department could not stop Saturday service/delivery. We have not had Saturday service for many years and we have adjusted. At all three meetings we were told the route delivery person could handle all service requests. If that in fact is correct...fine...then close all Post Offices nationwide...let everyone adjust...not just us in the small communities. Let the route people handle everything. We can tell you right now the route union will be up in arms. All the extra work would result in extra pay and more employees. Also, there would be

the expense of schooling for the route people so that they would be capable of handling all services.

When the Postal Department took the box service out of our Post Office, they took revenue away from us. When they moved our local delivery from Home to Marysville, they took revenue from us then, as the money now goes to Marysville. The Postal Department has continued to chip away at our community hoping to have a reason for closure. Our community is growing. Since last April, another new home has been built, and two families have moved to our community, adding ten more people to our population. Our town may be small, but we are not by any means dying. Yes, the Postal Department is in trouble. However, by closing our Post Office and other offices nationwide, the savings would be less than 1% of the department budget. Looking at the overall picture, if you would eliminate Saturday service/delivery, it would save money across the country. My point is, why do the small communities in the Heartland of America have to be the ones to adjust?

The Postal Department sells stamps, but how do you deliver your reports? Online. How do they pay bills? Online. The department spent millions on computers and internet to save money...looks like a case of cutting off your nose to spite your face.

The Postmaster General retired with how much of a bonus? Quite noble. We think he should have turned his salary and his bonus back into the department. He can't be blamed for bailing out of such a mess.

Taking all available information into consideration, we think the department is wrong to close the Home, Kansas Post Office. It would be to your advantage to leave it open, reinstall the local boxes and move the route origin back to our town. We are a thriving community, and would like to be recognized for what we really are...not just another place to make a budget cut.

Thank you for your time.

Pat and Jim Schramm
Lewis Seed and Fertilizer
208 2nd Street
Home, Ks 66438

On April 7, 2011 we were told that our beloved Home Post Office was under review and had a very slim chance of surviving.

Yes, we would like to hear that our rural route would originate again in Home. That route carrier was removed to Marysville, Kansas many years ago. The stamp money and all letters are taken to Marysville. Thus giving all revenue and count to the Marysville, Kansas Post Office.

Yes, we would like to hear that the lobby boxes would be re-installed. Those were taken out 20 years ago. Boxes represent revenue and business at the window in a lobby of the Post Office. So again revenue and piece count was taken away.

Yes, we would like to hear that again we would have Saturday service; but that was also removed several years ago. Saturday is a day a lot of people don't work and they could send packages, or purchase stamps and money orders. All of these services have been taken away from us so of course the inside window revenue and piece count is down. Like it or not we have adjusted to these changes.

We are a progressive community...here are some of the facts.....

Home, Kansas population.....138

Businesses..... 14

Jobs in our community..... 148

The largest employer is Blue Valley Tele-Communications. In the last two years they have built a multi-million dollar office facility. Each month they send out at least 6,000 statements to customers. Ten times a year they mail a newsletter and once a year a yearly report to each customer. Also potential customers receive flyers advertising various specials. This company alone generates a lot of revenue as well as the other businesses and residents of this community. In the past several years our community has installed a sewer system. The volunteer fire department is in the process of building a new fire station. Also in the last few years six new home have been built in our community. These homes belong to young families.

We don't have a Postmaster, her title is OIC...therefore she does not get benefits. The Post Office has saved a lot of money over the last twenty years; we do not have Saturday service, just five days a week 8am to 12pm.

The United States Post Office has continued to pull our services so of course our lobby revenue and activity is down....look at the bottom line: we are paying our way... our revenue far out weighs the exprense. Please be fair.

We appreciate any help you can give us to keep our Post Office in our community.

Thank You.

Jim Schramm
Pat Schramm
Lewis Seed & Fertilizer, Inc
208 Second St.
Home, Kansas 66438



10/11/2011

DISTRICT MANAGER
6005 LOCKHEED COURT
OMAHA, NE 68119-9500

ATTENTION: Post Office Review Coordinator

SUBJECT: Final Determination- HOME

The final determination to discontinue the subject Post Office is enclosed, along with a Postal Bulletin announcement form to be completed and returned to this office through the district.

Please provide public notice by prominently posting a copy of the final determination in the appropriate Post Office. Make a copy of the completed record available for public inspection during normal working hours at the Post Office during the mandatory 30-day posting period. Please note that the first day of the actual 30-day posting period begins at day "zero".

POSTAL BULLETIN - POST OFFICE CHANGE ANNOUNCEMENT

Complete the enclosed Postal Bulletin Post Office Change Announcement form in its entirety and send it to this office (in triplicate) on the day the final determination is removed. One form will be used to document the official record, one sent to the Accounting Systems Development office, and the third copy will be forwarded to the Headquarters Address Management. Please note that Headquarters Address Management will not announce any Post Office closing or consolidation except when requested in writing by this office. Announcement form mailing instructions are provided at the bottom of the form.

APPEAL

Providing there are no appeals to the Postal Rate Commission, the office will be officially discontinued the first Saturday that falls 60 days after posting the final determination. If the final determination is appealed, we will furnish you with appropriate instructions. Please contact this office if a different date is needed for the official discontinuance. It must be noted, however, that the law prohibits discontinuance sooner than 60 days after the date the final determination was posted.

NATIONAL FIVE-DIGIT ZIP CODE AND POST OFFICE DIRECTORY UPDATE

Please coordinate with your Address Management System (AMS) unit to make sure that the AMS database is updated according to existing Headquarters Address Management instructions. That request, however, shall not be made until this office has notified you in writing that no appeals are pending.

OFFICIAL RECORD

Chronologically file this memorandum in your copy of the official record. All final determination postings must be added to the record at the end of the 30-day public posting period. Do not send them to Headquarters. The official record should be archived at the district by the Post Office discontinuance coordinator after the appeal decision is rendered and/or the Post Office change announcement has appeared in the Postal Bulletin.

If you have any questions, please contact Rich Rudez at (202) 268-5062.

Thank you for your assistance.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dean J. Granholm".

Dean J Granholm
Vice President Delivery and Post Office Operations

Enclosure: (2)

cc:
Vice President, Area Operations, WESTERN Area