

Before the
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-001

Waverly Post Office
Waverly, Washington

Docket No.A2012-49

REPLY COMMENTS
(January 12, 2011)

In conjuncture with the REPLY COMMENTS OF THE PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE filed on December 5 2011, the following serves to acknowledge the consideration of Participant Statements received from Petitioners on December 6 and 8, 2011 and the UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE COMMENTS REGARDING APPEAL filed on December 28, 2011. The Public Representative (PR) has reviewed the aforementioned materials and upholds his initial decision to affirm the closure of the Waverly Washington Post Office. The effects of the closure on postal services, the Waverly Community, economic savings and the postal employees have been adequately addressed under 39 U.S.C § 404(d). The PR finds the alternative means of service provided by cluster box units (CBU) and rural carrier to be consistent with the mandate in 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)(2)(A)(iii). AR FD Item 47 at 2-6. In accordance with 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)(2)(A)(i), the PR finds the retention of the ZIP Code and Post Office name in addresses and the Zip Code directory will preserve the community's identity. Item 22, Customer Questionnaires and Responses at 20; Item 47, FD, Part 1, Concern 2. Furthermore, the PR believes the Postal Service has considered the economic savings and effect on postal employees as statutorily required under 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)(2)(A)(iv) and 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)(2)(A)(ii) respectively.

Respectfully Submitted,

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