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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

Before Commissioners: Janet D. Steiger, Chairman;
Patti Birge Tyson, Vice-Chairman;
John W. Crutcher; Henry R. Folsom;
W.H. "Trey" LeBlanc, III

In the Matter of: :
North Egremont, Massachusetts : Docket No. A89-1
(Leonard H. Lempert, Petitioner) :

COMMISSION ORDER DISMISSING DOCKET NO. A89-1,
NORTH EGREMONT, MASSACHUSETTS, AS MOOT

(Issued November 17, 1988)

On October 27, 1988, the Commission received a petition letter from Leonard H. Lempert opposing the Postal Service's decision to close the North Egremont, Massachusetts, contractor-operated community post office on November 1, 1988. The Commission issued Order No. 805 on October 31, 1988, establishing Docket No. A89-1 to consider this appeal. On November 14, 1988, the Postal Service filed a notice and motion to dismiss. Although stating that the North Egremont facility did not fall within the definition of "post office" as used in the statute, the Postal Service failed to address the Commission's decision that the statutory term applies to situations in which the Postal Service is considering the closing of the only retail facility serving a community. PRC Op. A83-30.

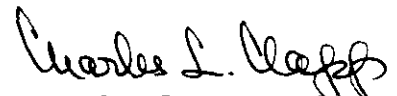
The Postal Service did, however, attach a copy of its new contract for the operation of the community post office -- signed November 1, 1988. Since the Postal Service has changed its decision and is retaining the facility, the relief requested by Mr. Lempert in this docket has already been given.

The Commission orders:

Docket No. A89-1, North Egremont, Massachusetts, is dismissed as moot if no motion showing why the case should not be dismissed is filed by the petitioner within 15 days from the issuance of this order.

By the Commission.

(SEAL)


Charles L. Clapp
Secretary