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- Service Units

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- Full-Time  
- Long-Term Care Homes  
& Services Part-Time  
- Recreation Workers  
Part-Time  
- Unit B Part-Time

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September 18, 2014

The Right Honourable Stephen Harper  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Langevin Block, 80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario  
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Dear Prime Minister:

I am writing on behalf of the 20,000 members of the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 79 who work at the City of Toronto, the Toronto Community Housing Corporation, and Bridgepoint Hospital. We wish to express our concerns regarding your government's support of Canada Post's plan to eliminate all door-to-door mail delivery. This is an offensive attack on our public postal service. Please do not continue to sanction this ill-conceived Canada Post plan.

Lisa Raitt's refusal to meet with the Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW), and discuss the elimination of postal services, is a flagrant display of disrespect for the hard-working women and men who provide postal services to all Canadians.

Canada Post has a long and proud history as one of Canada's essential and valued public services and Canadians must be given the opportunity to have a say in its future. It is shocking that any government in Canada would disregard the value of public consultation.

In 2008, CUPE Local 79, along with many other Labour Unions and community organizations, made a submission to the Strategic Review of Canada Post Corporation. The creation of the Service Charter was one of the many positive outcomes from that public consultation process.

CUPE Local 79 strongly urges you and your government to adhere to the terms of its own Charter and conduct a public review of the Canada Post Service Charter.

Yours truly,

Tim Maguire  
President

Cc: Lisa Raitt M.P., Minister Responsible for Canada Post  
Denis Lemelin, National President of CUPW