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CUPW Condemns "Vultures Circling" Over End of Home Mail Delivery

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OTTAWA - The union representing postal workers strongly condemns a move by the private company "You Have Mail," accusing it of exploiting the recent Canada Post decision to end door-to-door delivery for over five million Canadian households by offering to pick up mail and deliver it to the door – for a fee, of course.

"The Harper government is trying to kill Canada's postal service and the vultures are circling," said Denis Lemelin, National President of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers.

"Canada Post is mandated to be financially self-sufficient and has been so for most of the past two decades. In fact, last quarter, it reported a profit. So why should Canadians have to pay \$20 or \$30 or \$60 to have their mail delivered to the door?"

The union has been pushing for expanded services such as postal banking to address the decline in traditional mail.

"Privatization is not the solution," said Lemelin. "Mail delivery must remain a public service, not a for-profit business."

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