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To: Consumer Affairs Manager
900 E. Fayette Street
Baltimore, MD 21233-9998

From: _____

Re: Moving Operations from Easton to Baltimore Maryland
Area Mail Processing Study

Dear Consumer Affairs Manager:

As a resident of the Eastern Shore I do not want my mail to go to the Baltimore plant or any other plant to be processed, other than the Eastern Shore Mail Processing Plant. Any mail that I mail from the Eastern Shore going to a town on the Eastern Shore should not leave the shore. Not only will it cost more money to transport the mail back and forth across the Chesapeake Bay Bridge but they will be delaying the mail for the Eastern Shore people every time the beach traffic holds up their trucks, or if the wind blows too hard and there are wind restrictions on the bridge or if construction work on the bridge closes certain lanes. I do not think that Baltimore can meet the overnight delivery standards that are in place for the shore at this time; without making drastic changes to the collection times of our mail. Changing collection times will be detrimental to residents as well as businesses on the shore. The Easton plant is handling the mail just fine and there is no good reason for that to change. If the Easton plant closes, that will mean many layoffs, displacing and possibly firing Postal employees as well as contract drivers from jobs and therefore affecting the economy of the Eastern Shore. They will be uprooting and destroying families on the Eastern Shore. Many of these employees will be forced to move out of their homes and possibly out of the state of Maryland, in order to find other jobs and support their families. The people at the Easton plant really care about the people on the shore and do everything in their power to get their mail to them on time. The Eastern Shore covers a vast land area and the elderly, disabled and poor residents that lack computer access depend on the mail service to communicate with friends, relatives, churches, and doctors. Many receive medicine in the mail as well as their Social Security and retirement checks through the mail.

The Postal Service has said that they are trying to save money, but in closing the Easton plant they will be neglecting their customers.

It is of utmost importance that the mail processing services for the Eastern Shore remain on the Eastern Shore where the residents can rely on a "Shore Thing".

Sincerely,
