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May 1, 2009

The Honorable Jason Altmire
2110 McLean Street
Aliquippa, PA 15001

Dear Congressman Altmire,


As the State Senator representing New Castle, I write to express my concern about the U.S. Postal Service's current Area Mail Processing study regarding the New Castle Mail Processing Facility – and their apparent decision to move towards consolidating operations with the Pittsburgh Processing and Operations Center.

I encourage you to do all in your power and influence to ensure that the New Castle Mail Processing Facility remains open. Closing this facility would result in yet another economic burden to the community with the loss of approximately 200 family-sustaining jobs. The economy of Lawrence County is approaching a tipping point, and I am very concerned with the consequences if the Postal Service continues moving in the direction of closing this facility.

The dedicated employees of the New Castle Mail Processing Facility provide efficient, dedicated mail service that our citizens have come to expect. It strikes me as terribly inefficient to consider sending mail to Pittsburgh only to be returned to New Castle – which is likely to occur if this plan goes through.

I appreciate the opportunity to encourage your support on this very important issue to the citizens of New Castle and Lawrence County. I hope you will do all you can.

Sincerely,


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The Honorable Robert P. Casey, Jr.
Regional Enterprise Tower
425 Sixth Avenue, Suite 2490
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Senator Casey,


As the State Senator representing New Castle, I write to express my concern about the U.S. Postal Service's current Area Mail Processing study regarding the New Castle Mail Processing Facility – and their apparent decision to move towards consolidating operations with the Pittsburgh Processing and Operations Center.

I encourage you to do all in your power and influence to ensure that the New Castle Mail Processing Facility remains open. Closing this facility would result in yet another economic burden to the community with the loss of approximately 200 family-sustaining jobs. The economy of Lawrence County is approaching a tipping point, and I am very concerned with the consequences if the Postal Service continues moving in the direction of closing this facility.

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May 1, 2009

The Honorable Arlen Specter
Regional Enterprise Tower
425 Sixth Avenue, Suite 1450
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Senator Specter,

As the State Senator representing New Castle, I write to express my concern about the U.S. Postal Service's current Area Mail Processing study regarding the New Castle Mail Processing Facility – and their apparent decision to move towards consolidating operations with the Pittsburgh Processing and Operations Center.

I encourage you to do all in your power and influence to ensure that the New Castle Mail Processing Facility remains open. Closing this facility would result in yet another economic burden to the community with the loss of approximately 200 family-sustaining jobs. The economy of Lawrence County is approaching a tipping point, and I am very concerned with the consequences if the Postal Service continues moving in the direction of closing this facility.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elder Vogel Jr." in a cursive style.

ELDER VOGEL JR.
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