## **Announcement from Minister Lightbound**

On September 25, 2025 Minister Lightbound <u>announced</u> that the government is accepting the recommendations in the <u>report</u> issued by Industrial Inquiry Commissioner William Kaplan on May 15, 2025.

## Minister Lightbound stated that:

- The government is repealing the 1994 moratorium on post-office closures in rural areas.
- Canada Post has been instructed to propose a plan that ensures service continues in rural, remote, and Indigenous communities despite the lifting of the moratorium.
- Canada Post has an obligation to serve every community in Canada.

Despite the government's assurances that Canada Post must continue to deliver to every community in Canada, CPAA is concerned about these changes and will be fighting to ensure our members voices are heard.

Over the course of the last day, we have seen an outcry of support from Canadians across the country who want to ensure that post offices in rural, remote, and Indigenous communities are protected. As our members know, CPAA offices and mail delivery are a lifeline for members of these communities. We encourage members—and friends, family, neighbours, and all residents in your communities—to keep making your voices heard on this important issue.

CPAA is actively working to ensure that our members have a seat at the table as decision makers consider these regulatory changes. We understand the importance of this development, and we will continue to update our website as more information becomes available.

## **More information**

You can find a copy of CPAA's submissions to Commissioner Kaplan here.
CPAA's submissions underscored that, as reflected in the annual reports published by Canada Post, CPAA remains the most economical mode of delivery to Canadians.