

December 5, 2025

The Honorable Rick Larsen House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-4702

Dear Congressman Larsen:

This responds to your November 18 letter to Postmaster General David P. Steiner, regarding the Glacier Post Office, a contract postal unit (CPU).

I understand your interest in this matter and would like to assure you that the Glacier Post Office is not closing. As you may know, the U.S. Postal Service occasionally augments local postal services by competitively contracting with a business or individual to provide postal retail services through operation of a CPU. Most retail services are available at CPUs, including stamp purchases; mail acceptance; Post Office Box delivery; and special services such as insurance, Registered Mail, and Certified Mail services. Contracts are awarded to the bidder that provides best value, who then must obtain bonding protection. Local conditions, including customer volume and postage sales, help determine a contract price.

In this case, the contractor for the Glacier CPU recently passed away, and since then, the unit has continued to function normally. CPU Contracting officials at postal headquarters advised that they have been working with one of the CPU employees to keep the location open, and they expect to finalize a new contract soon. Nevertheless, if your constituents have further questions or concerns, they may contact the Washington District Consumer affairs office at (253) 214-1800.

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify this matter. Please let me know if I can be of assistance with other postal issues.

Sincerely,

Andrew Jones

Government Relations Representative