

Regional Banking

To: The Taskforce on Regional Banking;

We wish to reiterate our support for the establishment of a postal banking system (using Australia Post branches) to service all Australians but especially those in rural areas of the country. This is where postal banks are needed most to enable country folk to get cash and carry out their banking needs in areas from which the Big Four banks have withdrawn their services. This has left country people at an extreme disadvantage, especially in times of flood, drought, fire and other civil emergencies.

Even city dwelling Australians are being disadvantaged by the relentless withdrawal of ATMs and local banking services as branches are closed throughout metropolitan areas.

We urge the taskforce to take action and implement a postal banking system for the benefit of all Australians.

Regards,

Vanessa Errol and Ron Hardie.