

March 20, 2009

Robert E Feldman
Attn: Comments
FDIC 550 17th Street NW
Washington, DC 20429

Dear Sir:

I am writing this letter to oppose the FDIC charging all FDIC insured institutions a 20 basis point "Special Assessment" on September 30, 2009.

I work at Mountain West Bank N.A. in Great Falls, MT. We are a local bank that includes local Board of Directors, a local President, and local employees. We take pride in the fact that we can provide our customers with exceptional customer service and have our products priced to fit their needs.

This increase in deposit insurance would come directly from our bank's bottom line and would place a tremendous disadvantage to our customers and employees. In addition to losing valuable employees, we risk the banks' ability to make loans, and takes fund away from expense items that directly benefit our staff, customers and our local community.

Please take this to heart as it impacts community banks in the great state of Montana.

Thank you for your time in the matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paula J Bomkamp", written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Paula J Bomkamp
Customer Service Representative
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Great Falls, MT 59404