

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 2006

Docket No. R2006-1

RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
TO INTERROGATORY OF DAVID POPKIN (DBP/USPS-449)  
(August 17, 2006)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its response to the following interrogatory of David Popkin, filed on August 3, 2006: DBP/USPS-449.

Each interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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**DBP/USPS-449** Please refer to your response to Interrogatory DBP/USPS-91 subpart d. Please explain why you state that items appearing in the Postal Operations Manual with a mandatory type of wording are considered only to be guidance as noted in the 10<sup>th</sup> word from the end of the response.

**RESPONSE:**

The interrogatory asks about the tenth word from the end of the original interrogatory response to DBP/USPS-91. The context of the last sentence involved is a comment about the phrase “100% mandatory” used in the (original) interrogatory. With “guidance” meaning “to provide direction” in at least one dictionary, this word is appropriate to make the point found in the last sentence in the interrogatory response.

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document in accordance with Section 12 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure.

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