

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 PARCEL SHIPPERS ASSOCIATION
(PSA/USPS-2)
(November 17, 2006)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its response to
interrogatory PSA/USPS-2.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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PSA/USPS-2. Please refer to witness Miller's response to UPS/USPS-T21-14(c). Will IOCS data collectors systematically record PRS pieces as dropship or non-dropship?

RESPONSE:

PRS mailpieces will be systematically assigned to dropship. During the base year, while PRS was an experimental product, these had the marking "PARCEL SELECT RETURN SERVICE" or "PARCEL SELECT RTN SVC"; see DMM 507.12.4.4 for similar current specifications. IOCS data collectors would have recorded parcel-shape PRS mailpieces as follows:

Q23E2 Presence of Indicia:

G. Permit Imprint/"US Postage
Paid"/"No Postage
Necessary"/"Response Payee"

Q23E12 Type of Permit Mail (Parcel):

E. Other Permit (None of the Above)

Q23G1 Mail Class Markings:

H. Parcel Select