

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268

Complaint of Time Warner Inc., et al.  
Concerning Periodicals Rates

Docket No. C2004-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1

(Issued May 26, 2004)

Time Warner et al. witness Mitchell is requested to provide responses to the questions set out below to assist in developing a record in this case. To facilitate inclusion of these answers in the record, witness Mitchell is to attest to the accuracy of the answers and be prepared to explain to the extent necessary the basis for the answers at our hearings. Answers are to be provided by June 9, 2004.

1. TW et al.-T-1, at page 64, shows Zone 8 postage of \$0.3416 for The New Republic under current rates with a \$0.101 per pound editorial benefit. Please construct the postage for this same publication using the proposed rate schedule. Please show the calculation of each element of the postage and explain any assumptions made.
2. TW et al.-T-1, at page 17, in discussing various mailing-related practices states: "It is not reasonable to expect publishers, or printers, or anyone else to consider costs that do not affect their bank accounts." Please describe, and quantify to the extent possible, how the proposed rate schedule might alter the mailing profiles of (a) *Sports Illustrated for Kids*; (b) *Reader's Digest* (the magazine); (c) *Vogue*; (d) *TV Guide*; and (e) *Newsweek*. Please fully explain any assumptions underlying your descriptions.

3. Apart from the impact caused by the exclusion of letter-shaped pieces, would your proposal alter the proportion of Outside County revenue from regular rate, nonprofit and classroom? Please explain fully.
  
4. TW et al.-T-1, at page 33, discusses three adjustments to R2001 periodicals analysis. Were you able to calculate the separate financial impact of each of the three adjustments? If so, please provide the results of your calculations and a reference to where the impacts are shown in your workpapers. If not, please explain why not.

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Presiding Officer