

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268

Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R2005-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING
SCHEDULING WITNESSES

(Issued June 20, 2005)

There have been requests for oral cross-examination of 12 of the 14 Postal Service witnesses in Group B. The schedule for the appearance of those 12 Group B witnesses is set forth in Attachment A. As discussed at the prehearing conference, hearings normally will continue until cross-examination of all scheduled witnesses is completed. In order to accommodate the schedules of Postal Service witnesses, and of counsel who must prepare to cross-examine those witnesses, hearings each day will begin with the witnesses scheduled to appear on that day following the order appearing in Attachment A. Participants requesting an exception to this procedure will be expected to contact the Postal Service and all counsel indicating an intent to cross-examine witnesses scheduled to appear on that day prior to making such a request.

Designations of written cross-examination of witnesses scheduled to appear on July 6, 2005 will be due by noon, July 5, 2005.

Designations of written cross-examination of witnesses scheduled to appear on July 7 and 8 will be due by close of business July 5, 2005.

The remaining witnesses in Group B will not be required to appear at hearings. Designation of written cross-examination of those witnesses will be due by close of business July 8, 2005. Designation of written cross-examination responses provided by the Postal Service as an institution also will be due by close of business July 8, 2005. A separate volume of transcript will be prepared containing that testimony and written

cross-examination. The Postal Service is to provide declarations of authenticity for that testimony and designated discovery answers by July 12, 2005.

RULING

Attachment B schedules the appearance of Group B Postal Service witnesses in this case.

George Omas
Presiding Officer

SCHEDULE FOR HEARINGS TO RECEIVE
THE DIRECT CASE OF THE POSTAL SERVICE

Witness

July 6, 2005 ¹	Shaw (USPS-T-2) Van-Ty-Smith (USPS-T-11) Bozzo (USPS-T-12) McCrery (USPS-T-29)
July 7, 2005 ²	Miller (USPS-T-19) Harahush (USPS-T-5) Stevens (USPS-T-15) Bradley (USPS-T-14) Lewis (USPS-T-30)
July 8, 2005 ³	Pafford (USPS-T-4) Smith (USPS-T-13) Kelley (USPS-T-16)
Witnesses not appearing ⁴	Loetscher (USPS-T-32) Alenier (USPS-T-33)

¹ Designations of written cross-examination due noon, July 5, 2005.

² Designations of written cross-examination due July 5, 2005.

³ Designations of written cross-examination due July 5, 2005.

⁴ Designations of written cross-examination due July 8, 2005.