

PRESIDING OFFICER'S  
RULING NO. N2006-1/6

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Evolutionary Network Development  
Service Changes

Docket No. N2006-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING ON PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

(Issued April 13, 2006)

This ruling follows up on my statement at the March 24, 2006 prehearing conference regarding issuance of a procedural schedule. (Tr. 1/23).

*Conclusion of discovery and hearings.* Given the progress that has been made in the initial stages of this case, I am establishing Monday, May 22, 2006 as the deadline for concluding all discovery against the Postal Service's direct case. Hearings are scheduled for Thursday and Friday, June 15 and June 16, 2006 beginning at 9:30 a.m. I anticipate calling Postal Service witness Shah (USPS-T-1) to the stand June 15, followed by witness Williams (USPS-T-2) on June 16. Counsel for the Postal Service shall file a statement no later than Monday, June 5, 2006 confirming the availability of its witnesses for the scheduled dates. Designated written cross-examination for witness Shah is due June 12. Designated written cross-examination for witness Williams, and for the Postal Service as an institution, is due June 13, 2006.

*Rebuttal testimony.* Rebuttal testimony shall be filed on Friday, June 23, 2006. Discovery against this testimony may begin upon filing. The deadline for discovery against this testimony and other steps in the procedural schedule will be identified in a subsequent ruling.

*Appendix.* Dates referred to above appear in an attachment to this ruling.

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1. Discovery against the Postal Service's direct case ends May 22, 2006.
2. Hearings on the Postal Service's direct case will be held June 15 and 16, 2006 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission's hearing room.
3. Counsel for the Postal Service shall file a statement confirming the availability of its witnesses for the June 15 and June 16, 2006 hearings no later than June 5, 2006.
4. Designations of written cross-examination for witness Shah are due June 12, 2006.
5. Designations of written cross-examination for witness Williams and the Postal Service as an institution are due June 13, 2006.
6. The deadline for submission of rebuttal testimony is June 23, 2006.

Dawn A. Tisdale  
Presiding Officer

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Conclusion of Discovery Against the Postal Service's Direct Case	May 22, 2006
Deadline for Submission of Counsel's Statement Confirming Postal Service's Witnesses' Availability for Hearings	June 5, 2006
Deadline for Submission of Designated Written Cross-Examination for Witness Shah	June 12, 2006
Deadline for Submission of Designated Written Cross-Examination for Witness Williams and the Postal Service as an Institution	June 13, 2006
Hearings on the Postal Service's Direct Case	June 15 — 16, 2006
Witness Shah	June 15, 2006
Witness Williams	June 16, 2006
Deadline for Submission of Rebuttal Testimony	June 23, 2006