

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

Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R2006-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING  
GRANTING MOTIONS FOR LATE ACCEPTANCE  
OF RESPONSES TO INTERROGATORIES

(Issued August 1, 2006)

There are 15 motions pending for late acceptance. As no party appears to have been unduly prejudiced by the delay, the referenced filings will be accepted.

RULING

1. The Motion of the United States Postal Service Witness for Late Acceptance of Responses to Institutional Interrogatories from David Popkin DBP/USPS-45(a), 46(a), 47(a), 48(b), 52, 53, 59, 68, and 83, filed July 20, 2006, is granted.<sup>1</sup>
2. The Motion of United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Response to Popkin Interrogatory, filed July 20, 2006, is granted.

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<sup>1</sup> David B. Popkin filed a response to the Postal Service's motion noting these responses were 31 days late, and urging that parties prejudiced by late filing of responses after the close of discovery be permitted to file follow-up interrogatories that are triggered by late responses so long as they are filed within 7 days. Response of David B. Popkin to the Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses to Institutional Interrogatories from David Popkin, July 21, 2006, at 1. Mr. Popkin will be permitted to file legitimate follow-up interrogatories within this timeframe.

3. The Motion of United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses to Interrogatories of Pitney Bowes Inc., Redirected from Witness Taufique (PB/USPS-T-32-61-64), filed July 21, 2006, is granted.
4. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Response to Interrogatory of the OCA (OCA/USPS-T14-8), Redirected from Witness Bradley, filed July 21, 2006, is granted.
5. The Motion for Late Acceptance of the Response of the United States Postal Service to Interrogatory of David B. Popkin (DBP/USPS-203), filed July 21, 2006, is granted.
6. The United States Postal Service Motion for Late Acceptance of Responses of the United States Postal Service to Interrogatories of Office of Consumer Advocate [OCA/USPS-14-17], filed July 24, 2006, is granted.
7. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Filing of Responses of Witness Taufique to Interrogatories of Newspaper Association of America (NAA/USPS-T32-1 through 3), filed July 24, 2006, is granted.
8. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Filing of Responses of Witness Taufique to Interrogatories of Discover Financial Services & Morgan Stanley (DFS&MSI/USPS-T32-1 and 2), filed July 24, 2006, is granted.
9. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Filing of Institutional Response to Major Mailers Association Interrogatory (MMA/USPS-T32-7(B)), filed July 24, 2006, is granted.

10. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Filing of Responses of Witness Taufique to Interrogatories of Major Mailers Association (MMA/USPS-T32-1 through 3(A), 4 through 7(A), 7(C-D)), filed July 24, 2006, is granted.
11. The Motion for Late Acceptance of Responses of United States Postal Service to Interrogatories of the Association for Postal Commerce Redirected from Witness Kiefer (PostCom/USPS-T36-1-3), filed July 24, 2006, is granted.
12. The Motion for Late Acceptance of Responses of the United States Postal Service to Interrogatories of the Office of the Consumer Advocate, Redirected from Witness Mitchum (OCA/USPS-T40-52-53 and 59-60), filed July 25, 2006, is granted.
13. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Response to AMZ/USPS-1, filed July 26, 2006, is granted.
14. The Motion for Late Acceptance of Responses of the United States Postal Service to Interrogatories of the Office of the Consumer Advocate, Redirected from Witness Mitchum (OCA/USPS-T40-45-48), filed July 26, 2006, is granted.
15. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses to Interrogatories DFC/USPS-41, 42, 47 & 48, filed July 26, 2006, is granted.

George Omas  
Presiding Officer