

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
MOTION OF DIRECT MARKETING ASSOCIATION
TO COMPEL RESPONSES

(Issued October 30, 2006)

A Motion of Direct Marketing Association to Compel Responses to Interrogatories DMA/GCA-T1-10-12 (Motion) was filed October 20, 2006. The Opposition of the Greeting Card Association to Motion of Direct Marketing Association to Compel Responses to Interrogatories (DMA/GCA-T1-10-12) was filed October 27, 2006. The Motion is granted.

The three discovery requests which are the subject of this controversy seek to develop the record on the basis for Greeting Card Association witness Clifton's response to DMA/GCA-T1-3(b). Greeting Card Association objects to these questions on grounds of relevance, burden and harassment.

Having reviewed the arguments of both participants, I find these discovery requests directly relevant to the weight to be accorded to witness Clifton's response to DMA/GCA-T1-3(b). Recognizing that discovery only requires the provision of information in the possession of the witness, responding to these requests should not be burdensome. Therefore, they can not be realistically found to be unreasonably harassing.

RULING

The Motion of Direct Marketing Association to Compel Responses to Interrogatories DMA/GCA-T1-10-12, filed October 20, 2006, is granted.

George Omas
Presiding Officer