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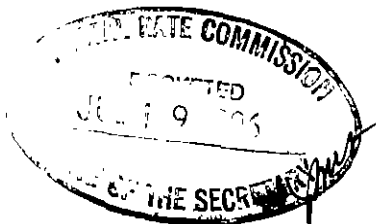
STATEMENT OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE ON PLANS FOR
BUSINESS REPLY MAIL REFORM
(July 19, 1995)

At the July 12, 1996 prehearing conference, the Presiding Officer requested the United States Postal Service to state, by today, whether it has any plans to submit a classification reform proposal concerning business reply mail (BRM), and, if such plans exist, to estimate when such a request would be submitted. Tr. 1/27. The Postal Service has been conducting a comprehensive review and assessment of all aspects of the BRM program, including the issues which Nashua Photo and Mystic Color Lab wish to raise in this docket. BRM business process re-engineering, including supporting cost analysis, has been initiated as part of this effort. We are moving aggressively to complete this important initiative, and we expect results that will enable us to take appropriate action around the end of this year.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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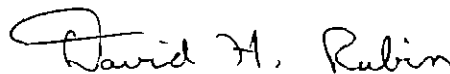


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