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Docket No. MC96-3

RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
WITNESS PATELUNAS TO INTERROGATORY OF
THE OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE
(OCA/USPS-T5-24)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the response of witness Patelunas to the following interrogatory of the Office of the Consumer Advocate: OCA/USPS-T5-24, filed on August 1, 1996.

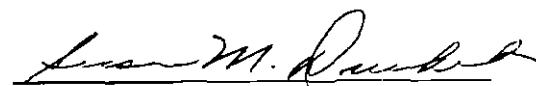
The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

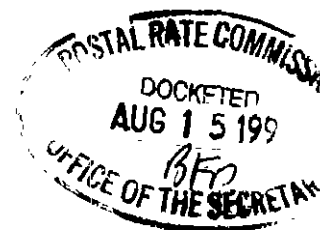
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Answer of Richard Patelunas to the Interrogatories of
Office of the Consumer Advocate
to United States Postal Service

OCA/USPS-T5-24.

In response to interrogatory OCA-USPS-T5-1, you indicate that there was "some additional special services attribution mainly due to the changes of accounts from component 210 to component 177." Please provide further explanation. Please detail the accounts that were changed, why they were changed, and why the change resulted in increased attributions.

OCA/USPS-T5-24 Response:

Please see Attachment 1 to my response to UPS/USPS-T5-3 for a detailed crosswalk of the account changes between cost segments and between cost components. Lines 7 - 16 on page eight of my testimony provide the reasons why these changes were made. In general, the changes were to more closely align the CRA report and the accounting systems used in Budget. The change in attribution was the result of applying the account amounts to cost components having different variabilities. The composite change in attribution is provided in Attachment 2 to my response to UPS/USPS-T5-3.

DECLARATION

I, Richard Patelunas, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Patelunas", written over a horizontal line.

Dated: 8-15-96

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.



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