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POSTAL RATE COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SPECIAL SERVICES REFORM, 1996

Docket No. MC96--3

RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO PRESIDING OFFICER'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 3, QUESTION 17 (September 13, 1996)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides a response to Presiding Officer's Information Request No. 3, question 17.

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

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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Answer of Richard Patelunas to Presiding Officer's Information Request No. 3 to United States Postal Service

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POIR No. 3 Question 17.

In Docket No. R94-1 at Tr. 26E/14322, volume and weight proportions of fourth-class Intra-Hawaii were updated. Please provide updated data for FY 95.

POIR No. 3 Question 17 Response.

As stated in the initial response to this Information Request, even after considerable effort, the Postal Service was unable to replicate the R94-1 results. In an effort to correct that situation, the Postal Service continued to look into the problem. The data systems did not readily provide the data necessary to do the calculations, although by continuing to pursue a solution, the data were developed by looking at information on originating and destinating ZIP Codes. As such, this revised response is being filed to provide the information initially requested. Fourth-class mail pieces comprised 0.14% of the total Intra-Hawaii volume and 19.2% of the total Intra-Hawaii weight.

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POIR No. 3 Question 17 Response.

After considerable effort, the Postal Service was unable to replicate the R94-1 results and upon reflection, the FY 1995 updates would likely be incomplete. The Intra-Hawaii volume and weight for fourth class mail is: 371,135 pieces and 3,027,803 pounds. This is the numerator in the calculations performed to produce the Docket No. R94-1 Tr. 26E/14322 amounts. Producing a complete denominator though has proven to be an impossible task. The denominator would be the Intra-Hawaii volumes and weights for all classes and subclasses of mail and these are not available. The data systems do not contain the Intra-Hawaii data for certain categories, such as First Class permit imprint or drop-ship amounts for any classes.

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.

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Dated: 9-13-96

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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