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RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO INTERROGATORIES OF
THE OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE
(OCA/USPS-70-72)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides responses to the following interrogatories of the Office of the Consumer Advocate: OCA/USPS-70-72, filed on September 5, 1996. An objection to interrogatory OCA/USPS-73 and partial objections to OCA/USPS-70 and 71(b) and (c) were filed on September 16, 1996.

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

Respectfully submitted,

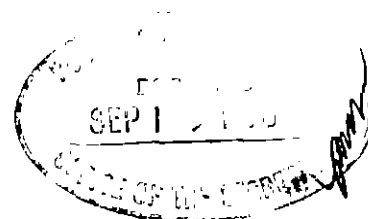
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OCA/USPS-70. Please refer to Attachment 1 to the response to OCA/USPS-T5-13. This attachment shows that of the 600 CAG A/B finance numbers, 504 were in the FY 1995 IOCS sample and 96 were not. Of the finance numbers that were not in the FY 1995 IOCS sample, how many had no chance for selection for FY 1995? For each such finance number, please list the finance number, its CAG and the reason for its absence from the sample frame.

OCA/USPS-70 Response:

See the response to OCA/USPS-54 (c) and (d). Partial objection filed September 16, 1996 .

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OCA/USPS-71. Please refer to the response to OCA/USPS-44.

- a. Is the TRACS training manual provided in USPS-LR-G-112 the most recent TRACS training manual?
- b. If a more recent TRACS training manual is available, please provide a copy of that manual?
- c. Please provide all other materials used to instruct data collectors for FYs 1995-1997.

OCA/USPS-71 Response:

- a. Yes.
- b. Not applicable. Partial objection filed September 16, 1996.
- c. There are not new TRACS materials used to instruct data collectors for FYs 1995-1997. Partial objection filed September 16, 1996.

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OCA/USPS-72. Please refer to the response to OCA/USPS-39(2). Was the Commission notified of these changes 90 days prior to their implementation as required by §3001.102(d)(4) of the Commission's rules of practice? If so, please provide the date of this notice. If not, please explain why not.

OCA/USPS-72 Response:

The Postal Service has been unable to locate any such documents in its files. The changes discussed in the response to OCA/USPS-39(2) do not affect the quality or types of data furnished to the Commission.

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OCA/USPS-73. For each of the major statistical data collection systems (IOCS, RPW, CCS, RCS, and TRACS):


- a. To the extent that FY 1996 training materials are available, please provide a copy of the FY 1996 training manuals and field operating instructions.
- b. To the extent that FY 1997 training materials are available, please provide a copy of the FY 1997 training manuals and field operating instructions.
- c. If any changes were made to these systems for FY 1996 or FY 1997, please provide the date(s) of the §3001.102(d)(4) notice(s) of change(s).

OCA/USPS-73 Response:

Objection filed September 16, 1996.

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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