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POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
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POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 2000

Docket No. R2000-1

RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS DAVIS  
TO INTERROGATORY OF DOUGLAS F. CARLSON  
(DFC/USPS-T30-5)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the response of witness Davis to the following interrogatory of Douglas F. Carlson: DFC/USPS-T30-5, filed on January 27, 2000. Interrogatories DFC/USPS-T30-6 and 7 have been redirected to witness Meehan.

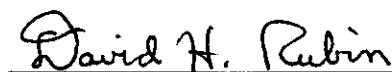
The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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**RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS DAVIS  
TO INTERROGATORIES OF DOUGLAS F. CARLSON**

**DFC/USPS-T30-5.** Please explain all differences, including differences in methodology, between the cost study for certified mail conducted for Docket No. R2000-1 and the cost study conducted for Docket No. R97-1.

**RESPONSE:**

In my testimony, I provide a cost differential for certified mail caused by the electronic signature capture process. For a discussion of the cost impact of electronic signature capture on certified mail and other accountable mail services, please refer to my testimony, USPS-T-30, p. 13. For development of the cost differential, please refer to USPS-LR-I-108, Section D, pp. 56-61.

Please see witness Meehan's response to DFC/USPS-T30-6 for a discussion of other differences between the costs for certified mail in Docket No. R2000-1 and the costs in Docket No. R97-1.

**DECLARATION**

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

Scott J. Davis

Dated: 2/10/2000

**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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