Before the POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

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Postal Rate and Fee Changes, 2000

Docket No. R2000-1

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION OF STAMPS.COM

Stamps.com hereby gives notice of its intervention in the above proceeding pursuant to

Section 20 of the Postal Rate Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 39 CFR § 3001.20.

- 1. The persons to receive service of documents relating to this proceeding are:
 - a. Andrew Inesi
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 Stamps.com
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Stamps.com is a provider of postage delivered via the Internet to a user's computer under the U.S. Postal Service's Information Based Indicia Program (IBIP).
 Stamps.com provides this service with no need for the user to attach additional hardware or external security devices to the user's own computer or printer. The service is available 24-hours

per day, seven days per week.

3. To use the service, the user first transmits to Stamps.com the intended recipient's address. Stamps.com then verifies the address against USPS's national address database. The

address is corrected and modified as necessary to meet USPS database and address quality requirements and is returned to the user. The user then prints out the verified and corrected address together with the IBIP postage. The verified and corrected address is printed out with a FIM code, a current USPS-approved nine-digit ZIP Code, a Delivery Point Barcode, and an IBIP-approved indicium. The IBIP indicium contains machine-readable mail processing information and security data, and provides a technology platform for future information services.

4. As a marketer and provider of postage and postal services to the public, Stamps.com has a substantial interest in the rates and classifications for postage. Stamps.com's service currently can be used for First Class Mail, Priority Mail, Express Mail, Delivery Confirmation, Certified Mail, Return Receipt, Insurance, and Registered Mail. Stamps.com is itself also a substantial user of postal services.

5. For the above reasons, Stamps.com intervenes in these proceedings as an active participant and requests a hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: February 10, 2000

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this $\frac{10+h}{10+h}$ day of February 2000, served the foregoing

document in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice.

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