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PRESIDING OFFICER'S
RULING NO. R2000-1/3

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R2000-1

**PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING DIRECTING
THE POSTAL SERVICE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

(February 16, 2000)

On January 12, 2000, the Postal Service filed a Motion of United States Postal Service for Waiver and for Protective Conditions for Analysis of Witness Yezer (Motion). The Motion requests the Commission to waive the relevant portions of rules 31(k) and 54(o) in regard to material to be provided by witnesses Yezer and Kaneer. The Postal Service further seeks to establish protective conditions to govern the provision of these materials claiming that these materials are commercially sensitive, may be patentable, and include issues of copyright and trade secrets. The Postal Service has proposed language for protective conditions in the Motion.

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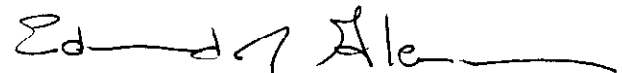
The Postal Service is to provide the additional information described below within 7 days:

1. Describe what specific "relevant portions of rules 31(k) and 54(o)" the Postal Service proposes to waive for witness Yezer's material and for witness Kaneer's material. Please explain the necessity for a waiver if the proposed protective conditions are granted.

2. Describe each document that witness Yezer and witness Kaneer proposes to provide under protective conditions. For each document, describe in detail how each is commercially sensitive, patentable, includes issues of copyright, or contains trade secrets.

3. Please provide reference designations for all material to be submitted under protective conditions for identification purposes.

4. Reference the proposed Statement of Compliance with Protective Conditions contained in the Motion. The last sentence of paragraph 3(c) in the Statement of Compliance with Protective Conditions is not complete. Please propose language to complete this sentence.


Edward J. Gleiman
Presiding Officer