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

Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R2000-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING  
GRANTING LATE INTERVENTION

(March 1, 2000)

On February 16, 2000, Mystic Color Lab ("Mystic") filed a motion requesting acceptance of its late-filed notice of intervention. Mystic Color Lab Motion for Late Acceptance of Notice of Intervention and Request for Service of All Discovery Requests and Related Documents.<sup>1</sup> In its motion, Mystic indicates that its decision to intervene, made February 15, 2000, after the due date for notices of intervention, occurred at the earliest practicable time. In addition, Mystic states that no party would be prejudiced by acceptance of its late-filed notice of intervention.

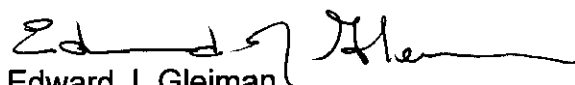
At this early stage of the proceeding, granting Mystic's late-filed notice of intervention will neither delay this case nor prejudice any participant. Therefore, for good cause shown, Mystic's motion is granted subject to its compliance with previous rulings and orders.

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<sup>1</sup> Subsequently, Mystic modified its request for service of all discovery requests and related documents. See Val-Pak Direct Marketing Systems, Inc., Val-Pak Dealers' Association, Inc., Carol Wright Promotions, Inc., Cox Sampling, District Photo, Inc., Mystic Color Lab, and Association of Priority Mail Users, Inc., Notice Regarding Service of Discovery Documents and Errata to Addresses in Notices of Intervention, February 28, 2000,

RULING

The Mystic Color Lab Motion for Late Acceptance of Notice of Intervention and Request for Service of All Discovery Requests and Related Documents is granted, subject to its compliance with previous rulings and orders issued in this proceeding.

  
Edward J. Gleiman  
Chairman