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PRESIDING OFFICER'S
RULING NO. R2000-1/14

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

Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R2000-1

PRESIDING OFFICER RULING
ACCEPTING LATE-FILED DOCUMENTS

March 15, 2000

The Postal Service has submitted a number of motions seeking acceptance of filings that were not submitted within the time limits established in the rules of practice. The majority of these requests relate to documents filed only slightly out of time. To date, no participant has opposed any of these requests, or suggested that the delays may seriously impact the ability to meet future procedural dates. Therefore, these motions shall be granted. This ruling does not preclude future argument premised on the cumulative effect of multiple delays related to specific subject matters.

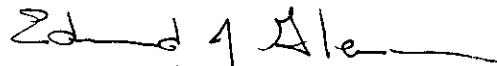
RULING

The following motions are granted:

1. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Objection to Interrogatory DFC/USPS-26 of Douglas F. Carlson, filed February 28, 2000.
2. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Response to Office of the Consumer Advocate Interrogatory (OCA/USPS-54), filed February 28, 2000.
3. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Response of Witness Crum to OCA Interrogatories (OCA/USPS-T27-8-9), filed February 28, 2000.

4. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Interrogatory Responses of Witness Tayman (ANM/USPS-T9-17, 18(a)-(i), 19(a)-(f), 20-22(b), 22(d), (e), (f) (in part), 23(a) (in part), 23(b)-28; & OCA/USPS-T9-12-17, filed February 29, 2000.
5. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Response of Witness Campbell to Interrogatories of Keyspan (KE/USPS-T39-1(f), 4(a, c, d, e, g)), filed February 29, 2000.
6. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Objection to Interrogatory of ABA & NAPM, filed February 29, 2000.
7. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Response to Interrogatory DFC/USPS-25, filed February 29, 2000.
8. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses of Witness Campbell and Fronk to Interrogatories of E-Stamp, filed March 1, 2000.
9. Motion for Late Acceptance of Objection of the United States Postal Service to Interrogatory of the Direct Marketing Association to Witness Tayman (DMA/USPS-T9-36), filed March 2, 2000.
10. Motion for Late Acceptance of USPS Responses to Interrogatories ALA/USPS-T37-4-6, ANM/USPS-T35-4-6, and ANM/USPS-T38-5-6, filed March 2, 2000.
11. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Response Witness Robinson to Interrogatory UPS/USPS-T34-12, filed March 2, 2000.
12. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Response of Witness Campbell to Keyspan Energy Interrogatory KE/USPS-T29-18(b), filed March 2, 2000.
13. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses of Witness Mayes to Interrogatories of Parcel Shipper Association, filed March 2, 2000.
14. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses to MPA Interrogatories (MPA/USPS-T12-32-35), filed March 6, 2000.
15. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses of Witness Mayes to Interrogatories of Newspaper Association of America, filed March 8, 2000.

16. Motion of USPS for Late Acceptance and Response of Witness Tayman to OCA/USPS-T9-26, filed March 10, 2000.
17. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses of Witness Campbell to Interrogatories of Keyspan Energy, filed March 13, 2000.
18. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses to Interrogatories UPS/USPS-T5-18-19, filed March 14, 2000.
19. Uncontested Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Witness Degen's Responses to Interrogatories of Magazine Publishers of America, (MPA/USPS-T16-1-2), filed March 14, 2000.
20. Motion of the United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses to Interrogatories of Association of Alternative Postal Systems, filed March 14, 2000.



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