

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

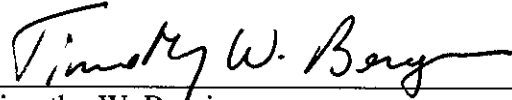
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POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 2000)
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) Docket No. R2000-1

INTERROGATORIES OF THE MCGRAW-HILL
COMPANIES, INC. TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
(MH/USPS-1)
(March 23, 2000)

Pursuant to the Commission's rules of practice, sections 25-27, The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. directs the following interrogatory and other discovery requests to the United States Postal Service as an institution.



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MH/USPS-1: With respect to domestic air transportation costs for Periodicals mail:

a. Please confirm that in R97-1, the 1998 TYAR costs were determined to be \$17.425 million. If you do not confirm, please state the correct amount of the TYAR costs determined in R97-1, and specify your source.

b. Please confirm that in this proceeding, the 1998 BY costs are estimated to be \$23.778 million. If you do not confirm, please state the correct amount of the estimated BY costs in this proceeding, and specify your source.

c. Please explain fully all reasons (operational and otherwise) why the BY 1998 domestic air transportation costs attributed to Periodicals mail in this proceeding are 36.5 percent higher than the TYAR 1998 domestic air transportation costs attributed to Periodicals mail in R97-1, and why air transportation is being used for Periodicals mail to this extent, and provide all documents that discuss such reasons.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have on this 23rd day of March 2000 served the foregoing document in accordance with section 12 of the rules of practice.


Timothy W. Bergin