

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
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Docket No. R2000-1

OBJECTION OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO POPKIN INTERROGATORY DBP/USPS-122
(April 3, 2000)

In accordance with Rule 26 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the United States Postal Service hereby objects to the following interrogatory filed by Mr. Popkin on March 23, 2000, and directed to the Postal Service: DBP/USPS-122.

The questions refers to his interrogatory DBP/USPS-19¹ and asks the Postal Service to "respond to the following question under the headings and context of . . . [that question] as follows: "If collections are made at a collection box on a regular basis, then that collection time must be shown on the box."

Again, Mr. Popkin has filed an interrogatory which has no bearing on the costing and pricing issues before the Commission in this proceeding. Whether or not mail collection times are or should be posted on some postal collection box (on which they apparently are not posted) somewhere within the area patrolled by Mr. Popkin is an operational matter which is (1) within the exclusive jurisdiction of postal management and (2) immaterial and irrelevant to the issues in this proceeding. Accordingly, the Postal Service considers that it has no obligation to respond to this question beyond filing this objection.

¹ To which the Postal Service objected on March 20, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

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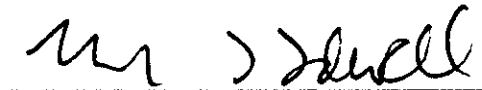


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