

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
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Docket No. R2000-1

RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO INTERROGATORIES OF
THE OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE
(OCA/USPS-93-97)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its responses to the following interrogatories of the Office of the Consumer Advocate: OCA/USPS-93-97, filed on March 20, 2000.

Each interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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OCA/USPS-93. Please provide a copy of the transaction time study referred to in LR-I-1 at 3-13.

Response:

Please find the transaction time study in the testimony of witness Brehm in

Docket No. R97-1, LR-H-167.

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OCA/USPS-94. Please refer to LR-I-1 at 3-13 and B-18-19. Are there any costs associated with activity codes 5050 and 6050? If so, please provide the volume variability estimates associated with those codes.

Response:

Yes. The volume variability estimate associated with code 5050 and 6050 is 50.44%.

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OCA/USPS-95. If there are costs associated with activity codes 5050 and 6050, please provide them and explain where these IOCS costs are placed in the cost segments and components (*i.e.*, USPS-T14K).

RESPONSE

The Base Year 1998 costs for activity codes 5050 and 6050 are \$11,958,000 and \$1,206,500, respectively. See USPS-T-11, Workpaper-B3. These costs reside in Cost Segment 3, Component 40, Window Services (3.2).

Please note, however, that activity codes go into the formulation of cost components in the Base Year. Base Year cost components are then rolled forward to the Test Year. As such, activity codes do not actually exist in the Test Year.

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OCA/USPS-96. Please explain where the IOCS costs of activity code 5060 are placed in the cost segments and components (i.e., USPS-T14K).

RESPONSE

Cost Segment 3, Component 40, Window Services (3.2).

Please note, however, that activity codes go into the formulation of cost components in the Base Year. Base Year cost components are then rolled forward to the Test Year. As such, activity codes do not actually exist in the Test Year.

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OCA/USPS-97. Please explain where the IOCS costs of activity codes 5090, 6060 and 6090 are placed in the cost segments and components (*i.e.*, USPS-T14K).

RESPONSE

Cost Segment 3, Component 40, Window Services (3.2).

Please note, however, that activity codes go into the formulation of cost components in the Base Year. Base Year cost components are then rolled forward to the Test Year. As such, activity codes do not actually exist in the Test Year.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan M. Duchek", is written over a solid horizontal line.

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