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Postal Rate and Fee Changes, 2000) Docket No. R2000-1

OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE FOLLOW-UP INTERROGATORIES TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE (OCA/USPS-129-131)

April 14, 2000

Pursuant to sections 26 and 27 of the Rules of Practice of the Postal Rate Commission, the Office of the Consumer Advocate hereby submits follow-up interrogatories and requests for production of documents. Instructions included with OCA interrogatories OCA/USPS-1-14 to the United States Postal Service, dated January 24, 2000, are hereby incorporated by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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OCA/USPS-129. Please refer to OCA/USPS-75 and the response thereto filed on April 11, 2000.

(a) No response was provided to the question regarding the number of additional window stamp sale transactions. Please respond to the question by providing or estimating the number of additional window stamp sale transactions resulting from the postage rate increase in January 1999. Provide a comparison of the number or estimated number of such transactions in a reporting period that includes January 1999 with a comparable period including January 1998 (*e.g.*, FY99 AP4 and FY99 AP5 as compared with FY98 AP4 and FY98 AP5, as was provided for Stamps-by-Mail transactions).

(b) With respect to Stamps-by-Mail transactions, please confirm that the "approximately 40 percent of transactions" refers to 40 percent of Stamps-by-Mail transactions. If you do not confirm, please explain what "transactions" are referred to.

OCA/USPS-130. Please refer to OCA/USPS-76 and the response thereto filed on April 11, 2000.

(a) Please confirm that the average cost of fulfilling a Stamps-by-Mail order is $3.74. If you do not confirm, please explain.

(b) Please confirm that the average cost of fulfilling a StampsOnline order is $4.52. If you do not confirm, please explain.

(c) Please provide a breakdown of the components of the annual costs of Stamps-by-Mail ($35,642,894) and StampsOnline ($1,623,159) transactions or, alternatively, the

average costs ($3.74 and $4.52). Include any variability factors, piggyback factors, or other adjustments.

(d) Please provide the average cost/revenue figure for a retail facility window sale of stamps, comparable to the average cost/revenue figures given for Stamps-by-Mail and StampsOnline.

(e) Please confirm that the "incurred cost of transaction" provided in attachments 1-3 to OCA/USPS-76 ($0.4596, $0.7945, and $0.4194, respectively) differ slightly from a calculation of the inputs to these figures due to rounding of the inputs. If you do not confirm, please explain.

OCA/USPS-131. Please refer to OCA/USPS-76(b) and OCA/USPS-80(a) and the responses thereto filed on April 11, 2000. Please explain and reconcile the annual Stamps-by-Mail transaction volumes of 9,530,361 and 8.4 million.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the rules of practice.

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