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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R2000-1

RULING ON DOUGLAS F. CARLSON'S RESPONSE  
TO P.O. RULING NO. R2000-1/13

(Issued April 21, 2000)

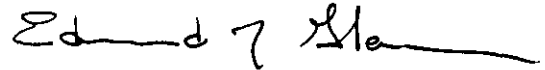
In a recent ruling, I denied as moot a request that the Service produce a certain copy of *Postal Life*, as it appeared the publication already was in the possession of the requester (Mr. Carlson). P.O. Ruling No. R2000-1/33 (issued April 10, 2000). In a filing identified as a response to that ruling, Mr. Carlson acknowledges that he has the publication. However, he further indicates that he made his request on the assumption that this approach would allow him to introduce this information into evidence. He expresses concern that the ruling effectively requires him to introduce his own testimony on certain Sunday mail processing issues, and claims this would pose an unreasonable burden. Douglas F. Carlson Response to Presiding Officer's Ruling No. R2000-1/33, April 18, 2000.

To allay Mr. Carlson's concerns, this clarifies that the ruling in question did not intend to establish independent testimony as the only procedural alternative. Among other things, it appears that Mr. Carlson could submit another interrogatory to the Postal Service (with his copy or portion thereof attached) and ask for confirmation that it is an official publication, and otherwise contains what it appears to contain. Assuming confirmation is forthcoming, that response could then be designated for inclusion in the record.

Another possibility is that Mr. Carlson could submit the copy in his possession as a library reference, and request official notice of the fact that the Service has issued this publication.

**RULING**

P.O. Ruling No. R2000-1/33 is clarified as explained in the body of this ruling.



Edward J. Gleiman  
Presiding Officer