

BEFORE THE  
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Docket No. R2000-1

DOUGLAS F. CARLSON  
FOLLOW-UP INTERROGATORIES  
TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
(DFC/USPS-94-95)

May 8, 2000

Pursuant to Rules 25-27, I hereby submit follow-up interrogatories to the United States Postal Service.

The instructions contained in my interrogatories to witness Mayo (DFC/USPS-1-9) are incorporated herein by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: May 8, 2000



DOUGLAS F. CARLSON

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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



DOUGLAS F. CARLSON

May 8, 2000  
Emeryville, California

**DFC/USPS-94.** In 63 Fed. Reg. 12,874 (1998), the Postal Service proposed an amendment to DMM § D042.1.7, which provides regulations on delivery of mail to which a Form 3811, Domestic Return Receipt, is attached. Please provide all documents that (1) explain the reasons for the decision not to amend DMM § D042.1.7 or (2) reveal the influence of the Commission's opinion in Docket No. R97-1 at pages 575-577, and in particular at ¶ 5951, on the decision not to amend DMM § D042.1.7.

**DFC/USPS-95.** Please refer to Exhibit 1 to DFC/USPS-95. Please confirm that this attachment is a reduced reproduction of page 5 of the January/February 2000 issue of *Postal Life*, an official publication of the United States Postal Service.

**Exhibit 1 to DFC/USPS-95**

**DIALOGUE**

**ANY 24-HOUR POST OFFICES OUT THERE?**

**Q.** After reading "Competitors on the attack" in the September/October issue of *Postal Life*, I had to write to you about something that is bothering me. Is there any post office that has 24-hour service?

Daniel R. Stanley  
Des Moines, IA

**A.** Indeed, the Postal Service does have post offices and airport mail centers open 24 hours a day around the nation (none in Des Moines, however). I asked our Public Affairs and Communications personnel in the field to provide an updated list, and here it is:

■ **Main Post Offices (MPO) open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week:** Anchorage, AK; Atlanta, GA; Baltimore, MD; Fort Point Station, Boston, MA; Chicago, IL; Dallas, TX; GMF Finance Station, Denver, CO; MPO and Redford Station, Detroit, MI; Houston, TX; GMF, Jacksonville, FL; New York, NY; Orlando, FL; Philadelphia, PA; Tampa, FL; and Wichita, KS.

■ **Airport Mail Centers open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week:** Albuquerque, NM; Atlanta, GA; Charlotte, NC; Cleveland, OH; Columbus, OH; Dallas, TX; Detroit, MI; Houston, TX; Indianapolis, IN; Worldway, Los Angeles, CA; Memphis, TN; Milwaukee, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN; Nashville, TN; LaGuardia Airport, New York, NY; Newark, NJ; Pittsburgh, PA; Portland, OR; Salt Lake City, UT; St. Louis, MO; San Antonio, TX; and San Juan, PR.

■ **Main Post Offices open 24 hours (except on weekends):** Hicksville, NY, and Oakland, CA.

**WHERE CAN I FIND PC POSTAGE ON THE WEB?**

**Q.** After reading the article "Bringing the post office to the people," I was surprised by a single omission. You mentioned the name of both companies from California providing the PC Postage services, but not once in the article did you mention their websites.

How can *Postal Life* readers learn how to open their own accounts and enjoy these services?

Renan Michel  
Greenwich, CT

**A.** If you want further information on how to reach PC Postage-authorized vendors, just visit the Postal Service's website at [www.usps.com](http://www.usps.com) and click on "Business Center." There you will get PC Postage information, including the Web addresses of the various PC Postage vendors.

**Q.** In 1993, I began the process to become a rural mail carrier. I have been a substitute carrier in Clymer, NY, since then. I may be eligible to become a full-time carrier in the next few months. I have two questions regarding my situation. What letter or step would I start at? And how long does it take to move up to the next step?

Harvet Conk  
Clymer, NY

**A.** According to *Labor Relations*, you would start at Step A for Rural Carrier and then wait 96 weeks until you could move up to the next step. You should consult the Western New York District Human Resources office for answers to other personnel questions you may have.

**Q.** You published Sandra Smith's letter. You owe her a \$100 gift certificate. Please do the right thing.

Gordon Gee  
San Francisco, CA

**POSTAL QUIZ**



The female head of a post office is always called a postmaster, never a postmistress?

- a. True
- b. False

The correct answer is b. True. The female head of a post office is always called a postmistress, never a postmaster. The male head of a post office is always called a postmaster, never a postmistress. The correct answer is b. True.

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**WIN A T-SHIRT!**

Answer to the September/October *Postal Life* quiz: Which of the following famous personalities are on the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee? a. Robert Redford; b. Digger Phelps; c. Karl Malden; d. Bryant Gumbel; e. All of the above.

Answer: b and c.

T-shirt winners: Debby Calloway, Spruce Pine, NC; Chris Carino, Benicia, CA; Robert Chen, Los Angeles, CA; Ed Estwanick, Hightstown, NJ; Lisa B. Greene, Daytona, FL; Debbie Joy Fithian, IL; Kim, Seattle, WA; L. Martin, Herm, PA; Jack L. Mills, Bayes, MT; A. Moya, Albuquerque, NM; Dorothy Neal, Schutter, OK; Diane Nixon, Divide, MT; Kathleen Perez, Southbury, CT; Annie Shellberg, Marana, AZ; and Jimmie Simmons, Fulton, KY.

**A.** Actually, I agreed to publish Ms. Smith's open letter in *Postal Life* as part of a plea bargain agreement she made with the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Illinois.