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Docket No. R2000-1

#### RESPONSES OF MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS OF AMERICA, INC. WITNESS CROWDER TO INTERROGATORIES OF THE <u>NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (NAA/MPA-T5-9)</u>

(July 12, 2000)

The Magazine Publishers of America hereby submits the responses of witness

Crowder to interrogatories NAA/MPA-T5-9, filed on June 28, 2000. Each interrogatory

is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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**NAA/MPA-T5-9.** Please refer to Appendix B of your testimony at pages 4 through 7, where you report the results of your MPA model.

- a. Do you specifications include statistically insignificant variables? If so, please identify which variables are statistically insignificant.
- b. If your answer to (a) is in the affirmative, please rerun your model omitting all statistically insignificant variables and provide the results.

### **RESPONSE:**

a. Please see Appendix B, page 4, which shows the coefficient values and tstatistics for the model.

b. The dataset used to run the model is included in MPA-LR-6, we used the Microsoft Excel 97 regression program. (See response to USPS/MPA-T5-28.) I have not run the model omitting all statistically insignificant variables and I have no need to do so. The statistical significance of the intercept and coefficients for two of the dummy variables was all that I needed to see.

As discussed in the testimony, the results from the USPS ES model also confirmed the results in the MPA model.

#### DECLARATION

I, Antoinette Crowder, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

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ANTOINETTE CROWDER

Dated: July 12, 2000

RESPONSE OF MPA WITNESS CROWDER TO NAA INTERROGATORY

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

Thomas W. McLaughlin

July 12, 2000