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Docket No. R2000-1

DOUGLAS F. CARLSON FOLLOW-UP INTERROGATORIES TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE (DFC/USPS-115-117)

July 17, 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: July 17, 2000

DOUGLAS F. CARLSON

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

July 17, 2000 Emeryville, California DFC/USPS-115. Please refer to the response to STAMPS.COM/USPS-3.

- a. Please confirm that MLOCR's can and will read a delivery-point bar code located in the address block. If you do not confirm, please explain and reconcile your answer with the Docket No. R97-1 response to DFC/USPS-T4-14(c).
- b. Please confirm that an MLOCR that successfully reads a delivery-point bar code in the address block will not, under normal circumstances, spray a bar code on the bottom of the envelope. If you do not confirm, please explain.

DFC/USPS-116. Please refer to the response to DFC/STAMPS.COM-T1-12. Is witness Heselton correct in his description of Postal Service handling of incorrectly dated metered mail, and is he correct in stating that the Postal Service does not "generally" overcancel metered mail with the correct date? Please explain.

DFC/USPS-117. Please refer to the response to DFC/USPS-107. Do the costs of isolating and resolving problems with incorrectly dated IBIP and metered mail cause the total costs of processing this mail to be higher than the costs would be if the same mail pieces had the correct date? If not, please explain.