

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
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Postal Rate and Fee Changes, 2001)

Docket No. R2001-1

INTERROGATORY OF MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS OF AMERICA, INC.
TO WITNESS ALTAF H. TAUFIQUE
(MPA/USPS-T34-8-9)
(October 10, 2001)

Pursuant to Rules 25 through 28 of the Rules of Practice of the Postal
Rate Commission, Magazine Publishers of America, Inc. (MPA) directs the
following interrogatory to witness Altaf H. Taufique

Respectfully submitted,


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MPA/USPS-T34-8. Please refer to page 4 of your testimony, where you state, "I am also proposing a change to DMCS 421.45 to limit the destination entry discounts to mail entered at the destination facility."

- (a) Please describe in detail how this change will benefit the Postal Service.
- (b) What percentage of Periodicals Outside-County pieces that currently claim the DSCF piece discount is not currently entered at the "destination facility"?
- (c) Has the Postal Service or any of its contractors performed any analyses of the cost difference between pieces claiming the DSCF rate that are not entered at the destination facility(,) and pieces claiming the DSCF rate that are entered at the destination facility? If so, please provide a copy of each analysis. If not, please describe in as much detail as possible the cost savings that will result from this requirement.
- (d) Has the Postal Service assessed the extent to which mailers of Periodicals-Outside County pieces that claim the DSCF rate, but are not entered at the destination facility, will begin entering these pieces at the destination facility once the change in DMCS 421.45 is implemented?
- (e) If a delivery unit is co-located with a sectional center facility, please describe the conditions under which mail entered at such a facility will be eligible for the DDU rate.
- (f) If an SCF also serves as an ADC, please describe the conditions under which mail entered at such a facility will be eligible for the DSCF rate.


MPA/USPS-T34-9. Please list all changes in mail preparation requirements for Periodicals and eligibility requirements for Periodicals discounts that have been implemented since the beginning of FY 2000 and those that are expected to be

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implemented before the end of FY 2003. Please also provide a summary of each change and its actual or planned implementation date. If there is no planned implementation date for a particular change, please provide your best estimate of the implementation date.

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 Rule 12 of the rules of practice.



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