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BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

Postal Rate and Fee Changes, 2001: Docket 2001-1

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT PUBLICATIONS
(NFIP)

National Federation of Independent Publications:

The Council of Literary Magazines and Presses

Independent Press Association

The National Newspaper Publishers Association

Pursuant to Rule 20 of the Commission's Rules of Practice, NFIP respectfully submits this Notice of Intervention in this docket. NFIP intends to participate as a full participant and requests that service of documents be made on its counsel at the following address:

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NFIP is a coalition of publishers of periodicals edited for and distributed to smaller circulation, specialized readerships throughout the United States and Canada. Its component members at this time are:

1. The Independent Press Association (IPA), located in San Francisco, which represents over 200 literary, environmental, ethnic, pop culture, arts and cultural, feminist, youth, student and local/regional magazines and newspapers.

2. The Council of Literary Magazines and Presses (CLMP), an organization based in New York City, which represents independent literary presses, journals and magazines focused on creative writing. These are mailed throughout the nation and overseas. Like IPA, CLMP consists of both for-profit and nonprofit members.

3. The National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) is headquartered in Washington, D.C., and has over 200 member newspapers, which reach over 15 million African-Americans each week. It was founded in 1940 to bring together publishers of African-American-owned newspapers to advance their mutual interests and professional concerns. NNPA is recognized as the most credible source of media for African-Americans.

All of the constituent groups which comprise NFIP substantially rely on the Periodical Class for the delivery of their newspapers and magazines. Proposed increases in periodical rates in this case will have a serious impact on NFIP members.

NFIP's interests are not represented by other intervenors. NFIP intends to be an active participant and it requests a hearing in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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Certificate of Service

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



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