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Docket No. R97-1

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
MOTION FOR LATE ACCEPTANCE OF
WITNESS LION'S RESPONSES TO INTERROGATORIES OF
THE OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE
(OCA/USPS-T24-10-19)

The United States Postal Service hereby moves for late acceptance of witness Lion's responses to interrogatories OCA/USPS-T24-10-19. Both witness and counsel believed -- incorrectly, as we now know -- that these interrogatory responses were due on August 8, when they were in fact due on August 6. Accordingly, their finalization was mutually scheduled for today, August 7 (the witness was out of town on August 6).¹ Counsel contacted the OCA, described these circumstances, and agreed to fax the answers immediately upon their

¹A second set of interrogatories, OCA/USPS-T24-20-25, was also scheduled for finalization on August 7. That set is, in fact, due on August 8, but witness Lion's responses will be filed contemporaneously with the responses to OCA/USPS-T24-10-19.

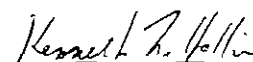
finalization. Accordingly, the Postal Service believes no participant will be prejudiced by the partial-day delay.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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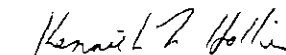


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