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DOUGLAS F. CARLSON INTERROGATORIES TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS RALPH J. MODEN (DFC/USPS-T4-6-11)

August 25, 1997

Pursuant to sections 25 and 26 of the *Rules of Practice*, I, Douglas F. Carlson, hereby submit interrogatories to United States Postal Service witness Ralph J. Moden.

If the witness is unable to provide a complete, responsive answer to a question, I request that the witness redirect the question to a witness who can provide a complete, responsive answer. In the alternative, I request that the question be redirected to the Postal Service for an institutional response.

The instructions contained in my interrogatories to witness Fronk (DFC/USPS-T32-1-7) are incorporated herein by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 25, 1997

DOUGLAS F. CARLSON

DFC/USPS-T4-6. Please refer to your response to DFC/USPS-T4-1 and -2. Does the Postal Service use the term "Single-Line OCR" ("SLOCR") to refer to Burroughs OCR's that can read more than one line of an address and apply a Delivery Point Bar Code? If yes, please explain why.

DFC/USPS-T4-7. Please confirm that a Pitney Bowes OCR cannot read more than one line of an address and apply a Delivery Point Bar Code.

DFC/USPS-T4-8. Please provide a list, by machine type and facility name, of all facilities that still use at least one Burroughs or Pitney Bowes OCR.

DFC/USPS-T4-9. Please provide the deployment schedule for retrofitting AFCS machines and MLOCR's with wide-area bar-code readers.

DFC/USPS-T4-10. Please provide the deployment schedule, by facility location, of the Low-Cost MLOCR program.

DFC/USPS-T4-11. Please refer to your response to DFC/USPS-T4-5 and explain why providing DPS or sector-segment sortation to five-digit zones that are unique to a post-office-box section does not yield as great a cost savings as providing DPS or sector-segment sortation to five-digit zones that contain at least 10 carrier routes.

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* and sections 3(B) and 3(C) of the *Special Rules of Practice*.

DOUGLAS F. CARLSON

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