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PRESIDING OFFICER'S  
RULING NO. R2001-1/13

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R2001-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING  
GRANTING POSTAL SERVICE MOTION  
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME IN WHICH TO  
RESPOND TO OCA MOTION TO COMPEL

(Issued November 26, 2001)

On November 21, the United States Postal Service submitted a motion<sup>1</sup> in this docket requesting a brief extension of time in which to respond to a pending OCA motion<sup>2</sup> to compel production of certain documents requested in OCA/USPS-119 and – 123(a). The motion notes that a response is due today, November 26, but states that postal employees needed to prepare a proper response to the OCA motion will not be available until today. Additionally, the motion states that counsel responsible for the Service's response will not return from vacation until November 27, 2001.

In view of the circumstances cited in the Service's motion, I shall grant the Postal Service motion. I find it unlikely that granting the requested two-day extension will prejudice the interests of any party in this proceeding.

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<sup>1</sup> Motion for Late Acceptance of Response of United States Postal Service to the Office of Consumer Advocate's Motion to Compel, November 21, 2001.

<sup>2</sup> Office of the Consumer Advocate Motion to Compel Production of Documents Requested in OCA/USPS-119 and 123(a), November 19, 2001.

**RULING**

1. The Motion for Late Acceptance of Response of United States Postal Service to the Office of Consumer Advocate's Motion to Compel, filed November 21, 2001, is granted.
2. The Postal Service's response to the Office of the Consumer Advocate Motion to Compel Production of Documents Requested in OCA/USPS-119 and 123(a), filed November 19, 2001, shall be due by the close of business on November 28, 2001.

  
George Omas  
Presiding Officer