

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
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Docket No. R2001-1

RESPONSES OF POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS COCHRANE
TO UPS INTERROGATORIES
REDIRECTED FROM THE POSTAL SERVICE
(UPS/USPS-20, 21)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the responses of Postal Service witness Cochrane to the following interrogatories of United Parcel Service: UPS/USPS-20, 21, filed on November 15, 2001. These interrogatories were redirected from the Postal Service.

Each interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

UPS/USPS-20. What steps did the Postal Service take in FY 2001 to improve Priority Mail performance?

RESPONSE:

Several new PMPC test sites were opened utilizing lessons learned from the original PMPC sites. Standardization in mail processing was introduced. In addition, on August 27, 2001 air transportation became a combination of ASYS and FedEx.

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UPS/USPS-21. What steps does the Postal Service plan to take to improve Priority Mail service performance beginning at the end of FY 2001 through the test year?

RESPONSE:

No final plans have been approved by management from among possible courses of action to improve Priority Mail service through the test year.

DECLARATION

I, James P. Cochrane, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.



Date: 11-30-01

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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



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