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Secretary Board of Governor's U.S. Postal Service 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW Washington, DC 20260-3500

RE: Postal Rate Commission Opinion and Recommended Decision, Docket No. R2001-1, March 22, 2002.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the provisions of 39CFR Paragraph 9.2, these comments are submitted on behalf of the Parcel Shippers Association, a full participant in the above-referenced proceeding. Members of the Parcel Shippers Association are extensive users of all classes of mail, other than periodicals, and their particular interest is in the package services in Standard A and Standard B.

The Parcel Shippers Association, as did other parties, put aside its differences with the Postal Service's proposals in this case in order to advance the greater good of the entire Postal Service community, and to assist with the very difficult financial circumstances of this vital service. We must once again state our admiration for the statesmanship of Chairman Omas in shrewdly guiding all the parties to the conclusion of this proceeding. And we must also say that without the perseverance, the understanding, and the willingness to compromise by the Postal Service, this settlement could not have happened. Key to the almost unanimous agreement of the interested parties was the willingness of Postal Service top management to give their undertaking that they would defer the next general rate proceeding as long as practically possible. We hope the Governors will honor that commitment and not initiate another general rate proceeding until it is clear that it would be a disservice to the Postal Service and to the country to delay further.

The PRC recommended decision makes the requisite findings and documents the evidentiary support for the agreement reached and the rates and Classifications the Commission has recommended. Those recommendations are consistent with the Act and supported by the record,

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and for those reasons we urge the Governors to approve and adopt the rate and classification recommendations of the Commission

We appreciate the Governors' consideration of these remarks.

Sincerely,

Two Timothy J. May

Counsel

I certify that a copy of this letter has been served upon all parties of record in the Postal Rate Commission's Docket No. R2001-1 proceeding by First Class Mail.

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