

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

EXPERIMENTAL RATE AND SERVICE CHANGES
TO IMPLEMENT NEGOTIATED SERVICE AGREEMENT
WITH CAPITAL ONE SERVICES, INC.

Docket No. MC2002-2

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO
INTERROGATORY OF THE AMERICAN POSTAL WORKERS UNION, AFL-CIO
(ERRATA) (APWU/USPS-4)

The United States Postal Service hereby supplements its response to the following interrogatory of the American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO: APWU/USPS-4, filed on December 12, 2002. The original response indicated that FY2000 was comparable to FY2002 regarding the proportion of return-to-sender mail that received a POSTNET barcode and automated processing, but that further research would be conducted. While no additional information was identified, the original expectation of comparability between the fiscal years was confirmed.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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APWU/USPS-4. In reference to the USPS response to Oral Request of Chairman Omas at Tr. 2/342, filed December 9, 2002, please refer to the following statement on page 4: "Based on the available information, it is the Postal Service's best estimate that in FY2002 slightly less than half of return to sender pieces received a verified POSTNET barcode and were possibly processed on automation."

Would this also be the percentage of returned mail that received a verified POSTNET barcode in FY2000, the year that this response indicates is the basis for the cost estimates?

RESPONSE: To the extent that available information informs a judgment, FY 2000 is directly comparable to FY2002. In FY2000 approximately half of the return-to-sender mail received a barcode and therefore could and was likely to have been run on automated equipment.

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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