

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

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
Docket No. R97-1

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PARTIAL OBJECTION OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
TO OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE INTERROGATORY  
TO WITNESS LION: OCA/USPS-T24-71(E)  
(September 12, 1997)

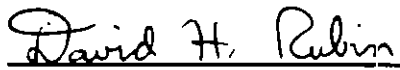
In accordance with Rules 25 and 26 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the United States Postal Service hereby objects, in part, to part (e) of interrogatory ABP/USPS-T24-71, filed on September 2, 1997, on the grounds that the question may be requesting commercially sensitive information. Part (e) requests, in pertinent part, that the Postal Service provide a file containing data on "Postal Service payments to contractors for contract stations." While any responsive data have not yet been located, the Postal Service considers data on its contract payments to specific facilities to be confidential proprietary information. If responsive aggregate data on such payments are available, they will be provided.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

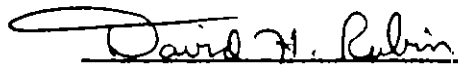
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I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

  
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