

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
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MOTION OF  
U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT, L.P.  
FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE LATE  
AS A LIMITED PARTICIPATOR

Service of documents in this proceeding should be made on:

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Dated: September 8, 1997

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U.S. News & World Report, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, hereby requests permission to intervene in this proceeding as a limited participator. In accordance with section 20a of the commission's rules of practice, we state that:

1. U.S. News & World Report, L.P., ("U.S. News") publishes U.S. News & World Report magazine and is thereby one of the largest publishers of periodicals and a user of all classes of mail. The Postal Service's proposed change in its rates and fees would affect the company's postage costs. U.S. News relies upon Periodicals class as the principal means of distribution of its publication; First-Class mail for business correspondence, billing, and statements of account; and Standard Mail (A) to distribute promotional materials and books published by U.S. News. Postage is a significant cost of the publishing business, and U.S. News has a vital interest in this proceeding.
2. U.S. News was in the process of relocating its office from Washington, DC to New York City during July and August and was therefore unable to file as a limited participator because of the turnover in staff.
3. U.S. News' participation in this proceeding may be beneficial to the Commission and the parties because of its unique perspective on the Postal Service's work-sharing strategy. U.S. News is a pioneer in the use of pool shipping to drop-ship Periodicals-class mail and continues to pool-ship the majority of its copies to various Postal Service facilities.

4. U.S. News' participation in the proceeding will not burden the Commission or the parties. U.S. News will take the case as it stands. U.S. News is not requesting service of any documents (except the Postal Service's Request and Exhibits USPS-T-1 through USPS-T-420) filed prior to the date of this Motion.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Michael J. Armstrong', is written over a horizontal line.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served copies of the foregoing document in accordance with Section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'M' and 'J' followed by a horizontal line and a checkmark-like flourish.

Michael J. Armstrong

New York, NY  
September 8, 1997