

BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON DC 20268-0001

EXPERIMENTAL PRIORITY MAIL
FLAT-RATE BOX, 2004

Docket No. MC2004-2

DAVID B. POPKIN
INTERROGATORIES TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
[DBP/USPS-T3- 7-10]

July 13, 2004

I hereby submit interrogatories to the United States Postal Service. The instructions contained in the interrogatories DFC/USPS-1-18 dated May 19, 2001, are incorporated herein by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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DBP/USPS-T3-7 Please refer to your response to DBP/USPS-T1-6. Your response indicated the range for which a 95% confidence level would refer to. My interrogatory requested the level of confidence that the given sample size would provide. Please respond.

DBP/USPS-T3-8 Please refer to the attachment to response to DBP/USPS-T3-3. You indicate that the data was collected over a two-day period. It was also indicated that the sampling study was done over the October 2002 to January 2003 timeframe. [a] What specific days was the study conducted at each of the ten sites. Please also provide in addition to the month, day, and year the day of the week and whether there was a holiday in the given week or the preceding week. [b] How were the specific days, both day of the week and time of the year, chosen?

DBP/USPS-T3-9 Please refer to the attachment to response to DBP/USPS-T3-3. On page 2 you indicate that only 1 parcel in 30 was chosen for machinable parcels while every nonmachinable outside [NMO] parcel was chosen. Please explain the reason for reasons why every NMO was chosen [as opposed to a sampling procedure]. Wouldn't this system provide a greater weight to NMO based on their relationship to the entire volume? Please explain.

DBP/USPS-T3-10 In the tables attached to your response to DBP/USPS-T3-5, you show that the largest weight of a parcel in the up-to 0.34 cubic foot category was 15 pounds. Please explain why the data in the Library Reference shows parcels of a greater weight

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon the required participants of record in accordance with Rule 12.

July 13, 2004

David B. Popkin