

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

EXPERIMENTAL PRIORITY MAIL FLAT-RATE
Box, 2004

Docket No. MC2004-2

RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
WITNESS DANIEL J. BARRETT TO INTERROGATORY OF
DAVID B. POPKIN (DBP/USPS-T2-33)
(August 27, 2004)

The United States Postal Service hereby files the response of witness Daniel J. Barrett to the following interrogatory of David B. Popkin: DBP/USPS-T2-33, filed on August 23, 2004. Objections were filed to interrogatories DBP/USPS-T2-32 and 34 on August 26, 2004.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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DBP/USPS-T2-33. Please refer to your response to OCA/USPS-T2-13. The red bullseye that appears six times on each box states in part that there is "No weight limit". Does the normal Priority Mail weight limit of 70 pounds apply to the flat-rate box?

RESPONSE:

The 70-pound maximum weight for Priority Mail packages, as specified in Domestic Mail Manual E120.1.2 "Weight", will apply to the Flat-Rate Box. However, based on the two flat-rate box sizes, it is exceptionally unlikely that contents would reach this threshold. Also noteworthy is that the 70-pound weight limit is not communicated via printed language on any of the other corrugated containers provided for use with Priority Mail.

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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