

**BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0111**

**POSTAL RATE AND FEES CHANGES, 2005
PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 108-18**

R2005-1

**COMMENTS OF THE
PARCEL SHIPPERS ASSOCIATION (PSA)
ON THE USPS REQUEST FOR EXPEDITION
AND PROPOSAL TO SETTLE**

The PSA supports the Postal Service's Request for Expedition, consistent with due process for all parties, and agrees to the Postal Service's suggestion that, due to efforts already underway, there is a strong likelihood that all material issues can be settled.

PSA agrees with the Postal Service that the circumstances surrounding this rate request are unique in that they are related exclusively to the statutory requirement that the Postal Service fund the escrow obligation imposed by Public Law 108-18. Further, we agree with the Postal Service that, because of the unique circumstances of this one time request, no classification or rate structure changes should be proposed.

We strongly support the Postal Service's efforts to achieve a settlement of the issues in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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